

Today's Theme

So, Am I Following Jesus? "4th Proof: By *Being* Him"

Series Title

"Making Much of Jesus"

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So, Am I Following Jesus?

1st Proof: We Know Him

2nd Proof: We *Trust* Him

3rd Proof: We *Love* Him

"4th Proof: By *Being* Him"

1. What Jesus *invites* us *into*.

Mark 3:13 Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him.

(1) To *be* with *Him*.

Mark 3:14 He appointed twelve that they might be with him . . .

(2) To *give* His *message* to others.

Mark 3:14 and that he might send them out to preach

(3) To *stand against evil* in the world.

Matt 5:14 "You are the light of the world.

John 1:5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Acts 26:17 I will rescue you from your own people and from the Gentiles. I am sending you to them 18 to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.'

2. As we *represent* Him we *show* His work.

Eph 2:10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

(1) God is *after* our *transformation*.

Rom 12: 2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

(2) When *connected* to Jesus we *do good*.

Gal 6:9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.
2 Thess 3:13 And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good.

(3) God works out the *details* as we *follow*.

Rom 8:28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

3. To *Rep* Jesus we *need* to understand.

(1) FJ is more than *holding* a set of *beliefs*.

(2) FJ is about how we *live* our *life*.

(3) *Questions* to *ask* as I rep Jesus:

Am I *walking* with Jesus?

Am I *asking* others what can I do to *help*?

Who is *walking* with me - Or am I *alone*?

What am I to *do* with what I *have*?

Am I willing to *love* Jesus above *all*?

Do I love others in a *sacrificial* way?

What *words* come out of my *mouth*?

What do my *actions* say about who I follow?

How do I *treat* people?

How do I *deal* with people who *hurt* me?