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*to* FOLLOW JESUS?

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## Jesus is the...

Ch.1-4	Long-awaited King
5-7	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Sermon: Authoritative King</u>
8-9	Saving King
10	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Sermon: Commissioning King</u>
11-12	Rejected King
13	<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Sermon: Patient King</u>
14-17	Chosen King
18	<u>4<sup>th</sup> Sermon: Advancing King</u>
19-23	Hated King
24-25	<u>5<sup>th</sup> Sermon: Returning King</u>
26-28	Crucified & Risen King

## THE WAY MATTHEW ENDS

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Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

MATTHEW 28:18-20

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1. Followers of Jesus are convinced that He is king.
2. Followers of Jesus publicly identify themselves as such.

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3. Followers of Jesus commit themselves to a life of teachability.
4. Followers of Jesus multiply.

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(from Robert Coleman, *The Master Plan of Evangelism*)

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“It does not matter how many people we enlist for the cause. That is why all along our emphasis must be on quality [not quantity of discipleship]. If we get the right quality ...the rest will follow; if we do not get it, the rest have nothing worth **following.**”

THE MASTER PLAN OF EVANGELISM, *page 120*

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“When will the church learn this lesson? Preaching to the masses, although necessary, will never suffice in the work of...evangelism. Nor can occasional prayer meetings or training classes. Building men and women is not that easy. It requires constant personal attention, much like a father gives to his children.”

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“The test of any work of evangelism is in the effectiveness with which the work continues in the next generation. Similarly the criteria on which a church should measure its success is not how many new names are added to the role nor how much the budget is increased, but rather how many Christians are actively winning souls and training them to win the multitudes.”

THE MASTER PLAN OF EVANGELISM, *page 106*

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