

“A Disciple’s Call to Evangelism”

Matthew 4:18-22

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I. The Call (vs 18-19a, 21)

a. The Sovereign Call

Matthew 8:21-22 “And another of his disciples said unto him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. ²² But Jesus said unto him, **Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.**”

Matthew 10:37-39 “**He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.** ³⁸ **And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.** ³⁹ **He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.**”

b. The Evangelistic Call

Mark 1:19-20 “And when he had gone a little further thence, he saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the ship mending their nets. ²⁰ And straightway he called them: and they left their father Zebedee in the ship with the hired servants, and went after him.”

II. The Commitment (vs 19b-20, 22)

a. The Commitment of Christ (vs 19b)

b. The Commitment of the Disciples (vs 20,22)

III. The Application of Obedience

Proverbs 11:30 “The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.”

Daniel 12:3 “And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.”

1 Corinthians 9:22 “To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.”

Matthew 11:28 “**Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.**”

Macarthur “Our responsibility is simply to make our witness faithful; it is God’s responsibility alone to make it effective.”

Spurgeon “If sinners will be dammed, at least let them leap to Hell over our bodies. And if they will perish, let them perish with our arms about their knees, imploring them to stay. If Hell must be filled, at least let it be filled in the teeth of our exertions, and let not one go there unwarned and unprayed for.”

Spurgeon “Every Christian is either a missionary or an imposter.”