

## Following The Light

We **MUST** Focus on The \_\_\_\_\_ & NOT the \_\_\_\_\_!

### 3 Things about following Jesus...

1. It's a \_\_\_\_\_. (John 8:12)
2. It **MUST** be your \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 14:25-32)
3. It's **NOT** \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 9:57-62)

A Look at \_\_\_\_\_.

John 1:42, Matthew 14:22-29, Matthew 16:13-19,  
Matthew 16:21-28, Matthew 26:36-45, Matthew 26:57-75  
Luke 24:12, John 21, Acts 2:14-41

### **NOTES:**

**Challenge:** What does God want **me** to do with this message? \_\_\_\_\_

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### **John 8:12 (NLT)**

*<sup>12</sup> Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life."*

### **Luke 14:25-32 (NLT)**

*<sup>25</sup> A large crowd was following Jesus. He turned around and said to them, <sup>26</sup> "If you want to be my disciple, you must, by comparison, hate everyone else—your father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even your own life. Otherwise, you cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> And if you do not carry your own cross and follow me, you cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup> "But don't begin until you count the cost. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it? <sup>29</sup> Otherwise, you might complete only the foundation before running out of money, and then everyone would laugh at you. <sup>30</sup> They would say, 'There's the person who started that building and couldn't afford to finish it!' <sup>31</sup> "Or what king would go to war against another king without first sitting down with his counselors to discuss whether his army of 10,000 could defeat the 20,000 soldiers marching against him? <sup>32</sup> And if he can't, he will send a delegation to discuss terms of peace while the enemy is still far away."*

### **Luke 9:57-62 (NLT)**

*<sup>57</sup> As they were walking along, someone said to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go."  
<sup>58</sup> But Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens to live in, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place even to lay his head."  
<sup>59</sup> He said to another person, "Come, follow me."  
The man agreed, but he said, "Lord, first let me return home and bury my father."  
<sup>60</sup> But Jesus told him, "Let the spiritually dead bury their own dead! Your duty is to go and preach about the Kingdom of God."  
<sup>61</sup> Another said, "Yes, Lord, I will follow you, but first let me say good-bye to my family."  
<sup>62</sup> But Jesus told him, "Anyone who puts a hand to the plow and then looks back is not fit for the Kingdom of God."*