

## The Terms of The Disciple (Luke 9:51-62)

### I. Jesus is Rejected in Samaria (51-56)

#### A. Jesus is Rejected Due to Religion (51-53)

1. Jesus was determined to finish His Work (51)
  - a. "Set his face toward Jerusalem"
2. Jesus is Rejected by Samaritan Village (52-53)
  - a. Samaritans hated Jews
  - b. They worshiped in the mountain of Gersham
  - c. Jesus was going to Jerusalem
  - d. Their religion wouldn't allow them to accept him

#### B. Jesus' Rejection is Met With Mercy Instead of Judgment (54-56)

1. James and John wanted to call down Judgment (54)
  - a. They were thinking of OT Kingdoms and judgments
  - b. They were on their way to Jerusalem to take over
  - c. Why shouldn't judgment start now
  - d. They still didn't understand His mission
2. Jesus Rebuked them and they moved on (55-56)
  - a. It was not time for Judgment
  - b. Jesus' mission was to bring mercy

#### C. Jesus' Disciples must follow His ways and His paths

1. They don't call down judgment on those who reject
2. They speak and act with mercy
3. They understand the gospel call

### II. Jesus' Demands of Those Who Follow (57-62)

#### A. Jesus calls his followers to leave worldliness (57-58)

1. A man announces his desire to follow Jesus (57)
  - a. This man probably thought he was following a new king
  - b. This man thought Jesus was taking over the kingdom
  - c. This man wanted a life of luxury and reward for choosing
2. Jesus informs the man that he is following him into humility
  - a. Jesus tells him that he has no where to live
  - b. Jesus calls him to a humility lower than the animals
    - i. Even the foxes have holes
    - ii. Even the birds have nests
    - iii. The son of man has nothing to luxury to offer

#### B. Jesus calls his followers not to hesitate (59-60)

1. A man asks for some time before following (59)
  - a. He asks to go and bury his father
    - i. Father not necessarily dead
    - ii. Custom to meet needs in declining years
    - iii. Be around to claim inheritance
    - iv. He wanted to insure his security before following
2. Jesus demands his followers not hesitate (60)
  - a. Only disciples can spread the kingdom
  - b. Non-believers can take care of other concerns

- c. The spiritually dead can bury the physically dead
  - d. The call of Christ take precedence over all other things
- C. Jesus calls his followers to remain focused (61-62)
  - 1. A man asks for a short period of time to say goodbye
    - a. The man wanted to get his house in order
    - b. He wanted to tell his household goodbye
    - c. Yet the mission must take precedent
  - 2. Jesus calls the follower to not look back to the things behind (62)
    - a. No one who looks back is fit (worthy) of the kingdom
    - b. The calling is to plow and harvest
    - c. Once the hand is put to the plow, the plowman must watch
    - d. Looking back will cause uneven rows and poor crop.