

Let It Be Notes

Luke 9:57–62 (NKJV)

True Cost of Discipleship

⁵⁷ Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, *that* someone said to Him, “Lord, I will follow You wherever You go.”

⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, “*Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.*”

⁵⁹ Then He said to another, “*Follow Me.*”

But he said, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.”

⁶⁰ Jesus said to him, “*Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God.*”

⁶¹ And another also said, “Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go *and* bid them farewell who are at my house.”

⁶² But Jesus said to him, “*No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.*”

Who’s first:

1 Kings 19:19–21 (NKJV)

Elisha Follows Elijah

¹⁹ So he departed from there, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who *was* plowing *with* twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he was with the twelfth. Then Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle on him. ²⁰ And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah, and said, “Please let me kiss my father and my mother, and *then* I will follow you.”

And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?”

²¹ So *Elisha* turned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen and slaughtered them and boiled their flesh, using the oxen’s equipment, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Luke 14:25–35 (NKJV)

Christ Teaches on Discipleship

²⁵ Now great multitudes went with Him. And He turned and said to them, ²⁶ “*If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple.* ²⁷ And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has *enough* to finish *it*—²⁹ lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see *it* begin to mock him, ³⁰ saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹ Or what king, going to make war against another king, does not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² Or else, while the other is still a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks conditions of peace. ³³ So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.

³⁴ “*Salt is good; but if the salt has lost its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? ³⁵ It is neither fit for the land nor for the dunghill, but men throw it out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!*”

Luke 14:26 (NKJV)

²⁶ “*If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple.*”

Matthew 6:33 (NKJV)

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Light Yoke:

Matthew 11:28–30 (NKJV)

²⁸ Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light.”

Mark 2:22 (NKJV)

²² And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; or else the new wine bursts the wineskins, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But new wine must be put into new wineskins.”

Let It Be:

Isaiah 43:18 (NKJV)

¹⁸ “Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

Genesis 19:26 (NKJV)

²⁶ But his wife looked back behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

Philippians 3:13–14 (NKJV)

¹³ Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, ¹⁴ I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Hebrews 12:1–2 (NKJV)

The Race of Faith

12 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares *us*, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Colossians 3:2 (NKJV)

² Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.