

# PEFC Weekly Family & Small Group Study Guide

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Paynesville Evangelical Free Church  
Walking With Jesus  
*The Cost of Walking with Jesus*  
Luke 9:51-62



### Big Idea

*The price for walking with Jesus is a willingness to forsake everything for him!*

1. Disciples walking with Jesus will always face opposition.
2. Disciples walking with Jesus should always be filled with grace.
3. Disciples walking with Jesus will always pay a price for walking with him.

### Introduction

Relate a time when “doing the right thing” would cost you something. What decision did you make? What was the outcome?

### Bible Study Questions

**Have someone read Luke 9:51-62**

How is verse 51 a pivot point in Luke? What is Jesus’ focus from here on out? How might that effect his teaching of his disciples?

Why was Jesus not welcome in the Samaritan village (vs 53)? Do you think James and John’s reaction was justified? How might you have responded in this situation? Think of a situation that you have faced that might be applicable to this. How did you react?

What do the stories of the three men Jesus encountered on the road have in common? What was different? How does verse 51 impact how we view these verses (57-62)?

What might have stood in the way of the first person from “*following Jesus wherever you go?*” What do you think Jesus was teaching him in verse 58? How might we relate to this man in our culture today?

What was the second man’s excuse when Jesus called him to follow him? What was Jesus’ point in verse 60? How might we relate to this man in our culture today?

What condition did the third man put on following Jesus? Is Jesus too hard on him? Why or why not? What conditions might we put before Jesus when he asks us to follow him?

What are some excuses you have heard from people who do not want to follow Jesus? How would you respond to them? How does this relate to the gospel?

## Next Steps

Write down three ways you might set your mind to “*resolutely*” follow Jesus.

Determine how you will show grace to the person who does not welcome the invitation to follow Jesus.

Confess an excus that you have given when you know Jesus has called you to follow him in some way.

## Prayer

Ask Jesus for strength to follow him when the cost seems high! Share life needs within your group and pray for one another. Remember that prayer requests need to remain confidential and not be repeated outside your group without permission.