

Not all who "follow" Jesus ("Christian"), "follow" Jesus!

Mt 4:18-20

"come, <u>follow</u> me ...
immediately they <u>left</u> ..."

profession (context)! ...job?...career? ...

Mt 19:20-21

"sell your possessions ... come, follow me"

"complete" NASB; "perfect" NKJV

house? ... land? ... vacation home/cabin? ... boat? ... golf clubs? ... phone? (Facebook)

Mk 8:33-34

"<u>deny himself</u> ... <u>follow</u> me"

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happy?...successful? ... peace? ... pleasure? ... esteem by others? ... life! (context)
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Lk 5:11

"<u>left everything</u> ... <u>followed</u> Him"

boats; nets ... tools—special, accum. for years (profession, hobby, art (cooking, painting, sport)

Lk 9:59-62 "Follow Me ... permit me first..."

parents?...brother, sister?...family times (birthdays, anniv., parties)

Jn 10:27

"hear My voice ... they follow Me"

"hear...follow" - how "follow" if not know what He said? Read, study ... bib.classes ...sermons

Jn 12:47-48

Jn 12:25

"hates his life in this world ... follow Me"

Sums it all up with a strong fig. of speech - "hate"

Everything this "life" has to offer is worth losing to gain the "eternal life" Christ offers!

NOT

Jn 6:2....26-27...66

for *material* interests

health (6:2 ?), food, (6:26) fun, financial ... "social gospel"

NOT

Mt 26:58

"at a distance" Mk 8:38!

Jn 1:36-37, 40-41, 43-45, 49; Mt 16:16-18

"Follow" Jesus Christ because He is Lord and Master, the Savior of the world!

Jn 1:43-46

Encourage others to "follow" Him ... "Come and see"

Jn 10:27-28