

Follow Me
So much more than a prayer
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Thread: “Follow me” certainly requires trust.

*“The following day John was again standing with two of his disciples. As Jesus walked by, John looked at him and declared, ‘Look! There is the Lamb of God!’ When John’s two disciples heard this, they followed Jesus. Jesus looked around and saw them following. ‘What do you want?’ he asked them. They replied, ‘Rabbi’ (which means ‘Teacher’), ‘where are you staying?’ ‘Come and see,’ he said. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place where he was staying, and they remained with him the rest of the day. Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus. Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, ‘We have found the Messiah’ (which means ‘Christ’). Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, ‘Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas.(which means ‘Peter’).” **John1:35-42 NLT***

Andrew

Jesus would bring about the restoration of God’s people. (V. 35)

- The relationship will be healed.
- HOW, like any other broken relationship
- What is UNRESOLVED gets resolved through REPENTANCE.

Jesus is PREPARING the way for that RESTORATION.

Jesus resolves the relationship by leading us to bring our hearts back to the Father.

Is my interaction with God meaningful?

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Simon Peter

Following Jesus means I will become the person God sees. (V. 42)

- Means He thinks of me
- Means He will develop me
- Means I can become WHO He calls out of me

Challenge:

- What do you want from your relationship with your Father in Heaven?
- What are you willing to sacrifice for it?
- What’s one thing you are becoming as you move forward on the Jesus path?

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