



Following God with Radical Boldness

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As it was, it is, and evermore shall be!

1 Kings 19:19-21

19 So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. He was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen, and he himself was driving the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak around him. 20 Elisha then left his oxen and ran after Elijah. "Let me kiss my father and mother goodbye," he said, "and then I will come with you."

"Go back," Elijah replied. "What have I done to you?"

21 So Elisha left him and went back. He took his yoke of oxen and slaughtered them. He burned the plowing equipment to cook the meat and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out to follow Elijah and became his servant.

Elisha was living an ordinary day when he was called by an extraordinary God!

Are you paying attention to God's nudges and leading in the flow of life?

Elisha got the message ... when he was called, he moved!

When God calls. Are you ready to follow, now? What might hold you back?

Elisha knew following God's call meant leaving some things behind.

Why must we say goodbye if we are going to follow Jesus fully?

Elisha gave up all security... a public act of sacrificial devotion!

What have you sacrificed and what still needs to be placed on the altar?

Elisha knew he was following [God](#), not a [person](#) (Elijah)

Do you know the joy of following Jesus and the danger of following people?

2 Kings 2:8

8 Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground.

2 Kings 2:9

9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied.

What keeps you from asking big prayers of our big God?

2 Kings 2:11-12

11 As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. 12 Elisha saw this and cried out, "My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!" And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two.

2 Kings 2:13-14

13 Elisha then picked up Elijah's cloak that had fallen from him and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. 14 He took the cloak that had fallen from Elijah and struck the water with it. "Where now is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" he asked. When he struck the water, it divided to the right and to the left, and he crossed over.

Do you understand that it is not your power, but the God who is in you?

Where do you need to take a radically bold step in following Jesus?