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Following God With Whole-Hearted Devotion

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The Story of One-Way Missionaries

When he came, there was no light. When he left, there was no darkness.

1 Kings 19:19-21
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.

Lesson 1 From Elijah: Invited by a faithful person (Elijah) (1 Kings 19:19)

Lesson 2 From Elijah: Disrupted and redirected (A call to apprenticeship) (1 Kings 19:20)

Lesson 3 From Elijah: Burning bridges and going all in! (His livelihood) (1 Kings 19:21)

Lesson 4 From Elijah: Taking the posture of a learner (Under Elijah's leadership) (1 Kings 19:21)

How Elisha's Story and Life Can Inspire Us:

- **We can take the hand of the next generation and help them forward in faith**

- **We should follow Jesus even when it is "inconvenient" to our lives (it often is)**

- **When we go all in with Jesus, there will always be costs to pay (but it is worth it!)**

- **The greatest leaders are the humblest followers (Becoming a life-long learner)**

Where are you on your journey to know and walk closer to Jesus?

- I have decided to follow Jesus as my leader and Savior
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- Today I am recommitting my life to following Jesus
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