

Follow Jesus first (Luke 9:51-62)

T & Cs

Why are Jesus' terms & conditions the way they are?

Need to listen to Jesus' words (9:57-62) in light of his actions (9:51-56)

So far in Luke....

First action: "Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem" (v.51)

Why?

First thing to understand: Jesus will be King!

Keep watching Jesus and contrast them with the actions of those around him...

Samaritan villagers' action: v.53 Don't welcome him

James & John's action: v.54 Call down fire

Over the top? But Elijah...

Jesus' action?: v.55 rebuke his disciples!

↳ Jesus beginning to show what kind of King he is.

Back to v.51 "**set his face** to go to Jerusalem" (ESV)
Cf. Isaiah 50:6-7

....His kingship will be cross-shaped

Determined to be rejected

Why he's in Samaria (v.52-53, 56) and why he rebukes (v.55)

Today is still the day of salvation

***If Jesus is a cross-shaped King, then anyone who follows him will have a cross-shaped path too**

3 snippets of conversation to show what that's really like:

- i. Jesus is first, over material security (v.57-58)
- ii. Jesus is first, over socio-cultural obligations (v.59-60)
- iii. Jesus is first, over our former existence (v.61-62)

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- Do you truly know your Team Leader and what he's all about?
 - What do you need to begin changing in your life so that it's Jesus first, above all else?