**GO RADICALLY**

**Part 1: RADICAL ABANDONMENT**

**September 30, 2018**

“… whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for Me will save it. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self.” Luke 9:24-25 (NIV)

**RADICAL**

**Beliefs or actions that are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of belief or behavior**

**and are viewed as extreme, excessive or fanatical by the majority.**

**RADICAL ABANDONMENT REQUIRES ME TO …**

“After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, “Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.” Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make Him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by Himself.”  John 6:14-15 (NIV)

“The next day the crowd that had stayed on the opposite shore of the lake realized that only one boat had been there, and that Jesus had not entered it with His disciples, but that they had gone away alone.Then some boats from Tiberias landed near the place where the people had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. Once the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor His disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus.”  John 6:22-24 (NIV)

“When they found Him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, “Rabbi, when did You get here?” Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, you are looking for Me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill.  Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on Him God the Father has placed His seal of approval.” John 6:25-27 (NIV)

**1. Abandon my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ motivations for**

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“Then they asked Him, “What must we do to do the works God requires?” Jesus answered, “The work of God is this: to believe in the One He has sent.” John 6:28-29 (NIV)

**2. Abandon \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-**

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 “Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:12 (NIV)

“What good is it, dear brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but don’t show it by your actions? Can that kind of faith save anyone? Suppose you see a brother or sister who has no food or clothing, and you say, “Good-bye and have a good day; stay warm and eat well”—but then you don’t give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do? So you see, faith by itself isn’t enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless. Now someone may argue, “Some people have faith; others have good deeds.” But I say, “How can you show Me your faith if you don’t have good deeds? I will show you My faith by My good deeds.” You say you have faith, for you believe that there is one God. Good for you! Even the demons believe this, and they tremble in terror. How foolish! Can’t you see that faith without good deeds is useless?” James 2:14-20 (NLT)

 • **It’s not about what \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. What I do is simply \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 **of the salvation I already have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.**

“So they asked Him, “What sign then will You give that we may see it and believe You?  What will you do?  Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.” Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is My Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” “Sir,” they said, “always give us this bread.” Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life.  Whoever comes to Me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in Me will never be thirsty.” John 6:30-35 (NIV)

Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.” John 6:53-54 (NIV)

**3. Abandon \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-**

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“From this time many of His disciples turned back and no longer followed him. “You do not want to leave too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve. Simon Peter answered Him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and to know that You are the Holy One of God.” John 6:66-69 (NIV)

**TWO EVIDENCES THAT I’VE RADICALLY ABANDONED MY LIFE TO CHRIST**

“For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.” Luke 19:10 (NLT)

“Come, follow Me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” Matthew 4:19 (NIV)

**EXHIBIT A: A RADICAL CONCERN FOR THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because He has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” Luke 4:18-19 (NIV)

**EXHIBIT B: A RADICAL CONCERN FOR THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ AND**

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**MY NEXT STEP THIS WEEK IS TO …**

* Ask myself, “Do I merely believe in Jesus? Or has my belief produced life altering action?”
* If I have not yet placed my faith in Jesus, what do I need to do to reach a decision? • Check box on back of Communication Card if you have questions or

 want to know more about following Jesus.

* Join a LIFE Group during the Radical lesson series to learn with others how to make a life-altering commitment to Christ. • Sign-up at the table in the Atrium
* Begin serving in order to advance the cause of Christ. • Check box on back of Communication Card.