

In His Steps
The Metric
Matthew 4:18-22

Intro: Voynich Manuscript

1. The metric as famed by the **invitation**
 - A. “Follow Me and I will **make you fishers of men**” (Matt 4:19)
 - B. “Follow Me and **“allow the dead to bury their own dead”**” (Matt 8:22)
 - C. “If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must **deny himself, and take up his cross** and follow Me” (Matthew 19:21)
 - D. “Go **sell all of your possessions...**; and come follow Me” (Mark 10:21)
 - E. “He who follows Me will not **walk in darkness**, but will have the Light of life” (John 8:12)
2. The metric as interpreted by the **commitments**
 - A. Evidenced by **a verbal** response (Luke 9:57-62)
 - B. Evidenced by **a physical** response
 - a. From the **groupies** (Matt 4:25)
 - b. From the **desperate** (Matt 9:27)
 - c. From **individuals** (Matt 4:20, 22; 9:9)

Conclusions (i.e. John Wesley)

1. Following Jesus begins with a **confession**.
2. Following Jesus can't exist **in a vacuum**.