

## WHEN JESUS SAYS “DON’T FOLLOW ME” Luke 8.26-39

Luke continues to display the awesome power of Jesus. This week he calms the inner storm of a demon-controlled man.

*When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus’ feet, dressed and in his right mind... v35*

Three characteristics of someone who has been saved by Jesus:

1. They **SIT** at **JESUS’ FEET**.

2. They adopt a new **WAY OF THINKING**.

*Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Romans 12.2*

*Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Philippians 4:8*

3. They **ACT DIFFERENTLY** than the rest of the world.

Ephesians 4.17-32

**Jesus healed and transformed this man’s life. And Luke gives us a hint of how people who have been touched by Jesus should act in the world.**

*“Return home and tell how much God has done for you.” So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him. v 39*

1. They have a child-of-God, new-creation **MINDSET**.

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 2 Corinthians 5.17*

2. They display a Christ-like **ATTITUDE**.

3. They have a Kingdom **PURPOSE**.

**Luke makes two big points in this story:**

1. This guy Jesus is **AWESOME**.

2. Those who have had an encounter with Jesus **TELL OTHERS ABOUT HIM**.

*How will you do that this week?*

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**What is God saying to me?**

**What am I going to do about it?**