



FROZEN

Do You Want To Build A Snowman

Luke 9:57-10:1 NKJV

Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, that someone said to Him, "Lord, I will follow You wherever You go."

58 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head."

59 Then He said to another, "Follow Me."

But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father."

60 Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God."

61 And another also said, "Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my house."

62 But Jesus said to him, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

Frozen starts with two sister; Anna and Elsa, who are best friends. Elsa can make snow; her power is a great way for the sisters to have a fun together. Anna loves to sing to Elsa to use her powers so they can have fun and build a snowman. But there is a problem when Elsa accidentally hits Anna with her power. It hurts her sister. Anna is saved, but Elsa is told there is a cost to using her power. Anna doesn't remember Elsa's power but does remember the joy of spending time together.

Everything has a risk, cost

Jesus really wants us to come out of our room and spend time with Him. He tells us that He loves us by giving us eternal life. That part is

GREAT NEWS!

You're not here by accident. God loves you. He loves you so much that He sent His son Jesus to pay for the things you have done wrong – for your sins. That's what separates us from God, sin. But you are so important to God that He sent His very best to save you because He wants you to have a personal relationship with Him through Jesus, His Son. It is very easy to have a relationship with Jesus; in fact it is just like your ABCs.

Admit

Admit to God that you are a sinner. Each of us has a problem the Bible calls sin. "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23). Since none of us is perfect, all of us are sinners (Rom. 3:10- 18).

Believe

Believe in Jesus Christ as God's Son and receive Jesus' gift of forgiveness from sin. God loves each of us. God offers us salvation. Although we have done nothing to deserve His love and salvation, God wants to save us. In the death of Jesus on the cross, God provided salvation for all who would repent of their sins and believe in Jesus. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

Confess

Confess your faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord to others. After you have received Jesus Christ into your life, share your decision with another person. Tell your pastor or a Christian friend about your decision. Following Christ's example, ask for baptism by immersion in your local church as a public expression of your faith. "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved" (Rom. 10:9-10).



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free, but as people came to Jesus wanting to be His disciple, He told them that there was a cost to following Him.

For Elsa, it was her safety for us it is the same. Living a life for Jesus means we have to risk being turned away by friends and even family. Jesus tells the person that He doesn't even have a place to lay His head. Animals at least have that, but He doesn't. While it doesn't cost your house, following Jesus has to change the way you act, the way you live and the things you see as important.

Jesus changes our priorities

When you read that Jesus said, "Let the dead bury the dead" it seems kind of mean. All this person wanted to do was take care of burying his father, right? Well, that isn't exactly what the person was saying you see he wanted to wait until his father died. Why? Because with that came his inheritance. This guy was saying I couldn't follow you because my priority, the thing that is most important to me, is what my father will give me when he dies.

Jesus tells him flatly, what you get from your father when he dies isn't anywhere near what you would get from following Me. There isn't an earthly inheritance but there is something more valuable than all the gold in the world. This guy didn't understand it, all he wanted was the best of both situations: following Jesus and getting his money. Jesus isn't going to allow that, it is one or the other. Following Him can come at the cost of money, possessions and people.

We cannot look back

Jesus tells the audience once you start following Me, there is no way you can do it while looking back. Have you ever tried to walk a straight line looking behind you? It doesn't work; you are all over the place. If you are playing baseball and you look backwards are you ever going to hit the ball? Of course, you will never see it coming. That is what Jesus is telling us about our life. Jesus was telling people who farmed for a living. Jesus was telling people who farm for a living if you are trying to make a straight line to plant crops you have to keep looking ahead.

Jesus tells them this because He wants them to know once you follow Him, you have to give up things from your past. Sometimes that is a friend that does things you know Jesus doesn't want you doing because it will hurt you or some habit that you know you shouldn't be doing. He wants to tell you that your priorities have to change first then you can learn to focus on what is ahead, not what you have given up.

Anna loved her sister. She couldn't understand why she wouldn't come out and do the things that they had always done together. Jesus is like that with us. He remembers the wonderful time He has with you. He wants to spend more time with you being the focus of your life. Jesus was telling us that our priorities have to change because living a life that follows Him has a cost. But the rewards are always worth the cost.

Jesus is asking you, "Do you want to build a Snowman?" What will you tell Him?

MY PRAYER

Prayer: Jesus, please let me always put you first when you come and knock on the door of my heart. Help me to live my life in a way that lets everyone know you are the priority. Teach me to understand the costs of following You everyday of my life. And never let me forget that the one thing you want from me, is just to be with me. Thank you.

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