

RADICALS 1 – Radical Jesus

SERIES PREMISE: Jesus lived a _____ life and called us to be _____ followers into a _____ mission.

Big QUESTION: If Jesus lived a radical life, what _____ of life is He _____ us to live?

What do we mean by 'radical'?

Jesus never calls people to:

- * _____ Christianity, _____ faith or _____ religion.
- * Half-hearted _____ or partial _____.

The call is to _____ discipleship.

'Radical' does not mean ...

- * _____.
- * _____.

'Radical' does mean ... Total, unwavering, devoted, dependent, countercultural, sacrificial & even unpopular.

A life _____ to _____.

'Radical' means ...

- ... _____ holds steady when fear is strongest.
- ... _____ kicks in when comfort is calling.
- ... _____ holds firm when outcomes are uncertain.
- ... _____ speaks loudest when offence is easier.
- ... _____ is chosen when revenge feels justified.
- ... _____ rises when nothing else makes sense.

How was Jesus 'radical'?

1. Much of what He taught was _____ (Matt 5:3-12,44, Mark 8:35, 10:31).
2. Utter _____ to His _____ & total _____ to the Father's _____ (John 4:34, 7:6, Luke 9:51, 22:42).
3. Did things that were _____.
4. Embodied a different kind of _____ (Phil 2:5-11).

What does 'radical' look like for us?

1. _____ = Radical _____ (Matt 6:33, Mark 12:30)
 - * Throughout scripture, the _____ always belongs to God (Principle of the First).
 - * Radical faith gives God your _____, not the _____.
 - * It doesn't try to _____ God into an already full life; God _____ your life ... Everything _____ around Him, with Jesus at the _____ of it all.
2. _____ = Radical _____ (Matt 16:24-25)
Paradox of the kingdom:
 - * You must _____ your life to _____ it.
 - * Fighting for your _____ is not the road to _____.
 - * Freedom comes not from greater _____, but deeper _____.
3. _____ = Radical _____ (John 13:14-15, 13:34, Gal 5:14).
 - * Salvation is not just about _____, but _____.
 - * The way _____ in the kingdom is always _____ in service.
 - * Ultimate expression of radical _____ is radical _____.