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Life Is Complicated. (Week 19)  
We Can Help.

Jesus: *"If **anyone** wishes to follow Me [as My disciple], he must deny himself [set aside selfish interests], take up his cross daily [expressing a willingness to endure whatever may come] and follow Me [believing in Me, conforming to My example in living and, if need be, suffering or perhaps dying because of faith in Me]. For whoever would preserve his life and save it will lose and destroy it, but whoever loses his life for My sake, he will preserve and save it."*  
Luke 9:23-24 AMP/AMPC

### Three Barriers to Following Jesus:

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*As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head." Luke 9:57-58 NIV*

*Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely. 1 Corinthians 13:12 NLT*

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*He said to another person, "Come, follow me." The man agreed, but he said, "Lord, first let me return home and bury my father." But Jesus told him, "Let the spiritually dead bury their own dead! Your duty is to go and preach about the Kingdom of God." Luke 9:59-62 NLT*

3. \_\_\_\_\_

*"I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say good-bye to my family." Jesus replied. "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God." Luke 9:61-62*

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