



# Challenges

# Challenges with Following Jesus

**Matthew 8:18-27**

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When Jesus saw the crowd around him, he gave orders to cross to the other side of the lake. <sup>19</sup> Then a teacher of the law came to him and said, “Teacher, **I will follow you wherever you go.**”

1. **Following** Jesus will  
**challenge** my **comfort**.

**Matthew 8:19-20**

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Then a teacher of the law came to him and said, “Teacher, I will **follow** you wherever you go.” <sup>20</sup> Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”

2. **Following** Jesus will  
**challenge** my **priorities**.

**Matthew 8:21-22**

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Another disciple said to him,  
“Lord, **first** let me go and bury my father.”

<sup>22</sup> But Jesus told him, “**Follow me**,  
and let the dead bury their **own** dead.”



3. **Following** Jesus will  
**challenge** my **faith**.

**Matthew 8:23-26**

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Then he got into the boat and his disciples **followed** him. <sup>24</sup> Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was **sleeping**.  
<sup>25</sup> The disciples went and woke him, saying, “Lord, save us! We’re going to drown!”

# Matthew 8:26

He replied, “**You of little faith**, why are you so **afraid**?” Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.

4. **Following** Jesus will  
**challenge** my **thinking**.

**Matthew 8:27**

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The men were **amazed** and asked,  
“What **kind of man** is this? Even the winds  
and the waves **obey** him!”

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4. Following Jesus will challenge my thinking.

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Follow Jesus **All** the Way