

## Family Discussion

Let the Dead Bury their Dead!

## Listen for Excuses

Luke 9:57-62 (NIV) As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."<sup>58</sup> Jesus replied, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."<sup>59</sup> He said to another man, "Follow me." But the man replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."<sup>60</sup> Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."<sup>61</sup> Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say good-bye to my family."<sup>62</sup> Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

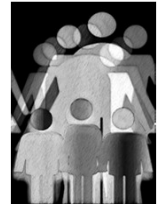
## What do you think?

○ Given Jesus' replies to the three would-be followers, what do you suppose their conflicting loyalties were?



## What do you think?

○ Why did Jesus encourage the one man to place such little value on family responsibilities?



## What do you think?

○ Why are there costs in following Jesus?



## What do you think?

○ What would help you this week to remember your loyalty to Christ?

