



BUILDING

LESSON 6

“At Our Savior’s Way Lutheran Church, we value building God’s people.”

GETTING STARTED:

When did you start attending OSWLC and why did you decide to stay?

DIGGING DEEPER:

Matthew 16:24-27 *Then Jesus said to his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it. What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father’s glory with his angels and then he will reward each person according to what he has done.*

Question: Jesus is asking for an all-out commitment. In athletic terms he invites us to leave all our energy on the mission field and give God our best effort. What would a person’s life look like if they were truly living their whole life for Jesus Christ?

How would you rate your commitment to Christ?

Low Priority			Committed				Giving My All		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Matthew 19:16-24 *Now a man came up to Jesus and asked, “Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?” “Why do you ask me about what is good?” Jesus replied, “There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, obey the commandments. “Which ones?” the man inquired. Jesus replied, “Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, honor your father and mother, and love your neighbor as yourself.” All these I have kept,” the young man said. “What do I still lack?” Jesus answered. “If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.” When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth. Then Jesus said to his disciples, “I tell you the truth, it is hard for a rich man to enter the*

kingdom of heaven. Again, I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.”

Question: Why was the young man’s wealth a hinderance to getting into heaven? Is it spiritually dangerous to be rich?

Question: What keeps you from giving your all to follow Jesus?

Question: Is it possible to leave everything behind to follow Jesus and be a disciple?

APPLICATION:

We are often looking for a way to grow in our walk with Jesus, especially during difficult situations. We wonder what to do? The only way to know what God wants for our life is to do what we know and understand of His will. As we take a step toward being faithful to God, God will make His path known to us and guide us to the next step we need to take.

Psalm 37:23 *If the Lord delights in a man’s way, he makes his steps firm; though he stumbles, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand.*

Question: What is it that you want and need from God that would make your life complete? Is what you want from God the same as what God wants for you?

CHALLENGE:

Where are you engaged in ministry at OSWLC?

___ Next Generation Ministries (Open Arms, Grace Place, and Young Adult)

___ Worship

___ Service Opportunities

___ Small Group Ministries

This week ask God to guide you to take one additional step toward being involved in the life of His church and being His disciple.