

## Emmanuel Prayer List - November 19th

### New Life Women's Home - 543 Thrasher Rd. New Build in Belleville area

- Thankful for this home: a residential recovery and discipleship program for women aged 18 and older which leads them through a faith-based program with support to overcome addictions and other problems
- Martin and Tina Vanderlaand are the new directors
- Campus Tours welcome by appointment: 543 Thrasher Rd. Plainfield ON (613) 394-3341 office@newlifecanada.org
- Donations can be made online: <https://newlifecanada.org>

### Study Continued

#### 5. Cont. Luke 9:57-62

In each circumstance, those who were going to follow Jesus really had no idea what it meant to be a follower.

- To the first man, Jesus explained that as a follower, you have no plans of your own. The life of a follower of Jesus is directed by Jesus through the Holy Spirit. You go and do what God wants you to do, not what you want to do.
- In the culture of the day, the second man had obligations to his family. His father probably wasn't dead, but what this man was actually saying was, "once I've fulfilled all my obligations, then I will follow." Similarly, we might say; once I retire; once the kids have grown up; once I've paid off the mortgage... With that in mind, what does Jesus response mean?
- The last person seemingly had a very reasonable request. He just wanted to say goodbye to his family. But this incident has it's origins in 1 Kings 19:19-21, the calling of Elisha. The man Jesus was talking to would know this story well, and knew what Elisha did when he was called. Jesus is telling this man that if he has one eye looking back to his old life, he isn't fit to be a follower of Jesus. We must put our old life behind us - the new life is far, far better anyway. Now read Galatians 2:20



### I'D RATHER HAVE JESUS

*I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family. No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.*

*Luke 9:61-62*

*A County Christmas*  
A Hay Ride Christmas Experience  
(with live animals, Displays, Hot Chocolate & Cider)  
December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>  
6:00-8:30pm

**EMMANUEL**  
Baptist Church  
Bloomfield

**Lots of help needed: Construction & tear down, acting, welcoming, making goodies, kitchen, decorating & more - Please sign up at the welcome desk**

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## I'D RATHER HAVE JESUS - 1 Kings 19:20-22

First - A call to \_\_\_\_\_

Second - A call to be \_\_\_\_\_

### BACKGROUND

Elijah:

1 Kings 19:15-16 God told Elijah ... \_\_\_\_\_

### CALLED TO FOLLOW

v.19 Elisha:

v.20 Elisha's response:

Jesus: Luke 9:23 Whoever wants to be my disciple must \_\_\_\_\_ themselves and \_\_\_\_\_ daily and follow me.

What does this mean?

### CALLED TO BE HOLY

To be Holy =

Sanctification =

1 Kings 9:21 What did Elisha do?

In Luke 9:61-62. A man said he would follow Jesus.

What was his request?

What was Jesus' response?

1. Read 1 Kings 19:20-22. Put yourself in Elisha's shoes. What do you think was going through his mind when Elijah threw his cloak over him?

Imagine the conversation with his parents. What do you think was said?

2. Elisha burned his plowing equipment and slaughtered the oxen. There was no going back. How do we apply this to our lives, as we follow Jesus?

3. Read Luke 9:23. What did Jesus mean by this statement?

Jesus said this in the context of talking to His disciples about his own crucifixion. What are the implications of what Jesus is saying on our lives as followers as Jesus?

3. Read 1 Peter 1:15-16 and 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24. Look up the meanings of the words: 'holy' and 'sanctify'. Now, apply that definition to how you live your life.

5. We have no way of knowing if Elisha was on Mount Carmel as one of the people of Israel who were wavering between two opinions (1 Kings 18:20-21), or whether he was one of the 7,000 who had never bowed the knee to Baal (1 Kings 19:18), though he was probably the latter. Either way, we do know that he was living in a land filled with Baal worship. What do you think was said between the two men, once Elisha joined Elijah as his attendant? What do you think Elijah would say to you in the culture in which you live?

5. Read Luke 9:57-62. Jesus gives three examples of the cost of being a disciple. What do you think Jesus' reply meant to the first man?

What do you think Jesus' reply meant to the second man?

What do you think Jesus' reply meant to the third man?