



Be with Jesus

Scripture: *“He appointed twelve^e that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons.”* Mark 3:14-15

Luke 10:38–42; Psalm 27:4

Jesus Is Speaking to You

There are many things that will compete for your attention.
Responsibilities. Conversations. Decisions. Opportunities.

Now, don't miss this.
Even good things can fill your days until you forget the most important thing.
Before Jesus will ask you to do anything for Him...He invites you to be with Him.
Sit with Him. Listen to Him. Learn from Him. Enjoy His presence.

Understand, He never desired a relationship with you that is built only on activity.
He desires your heart.

What Is Jesus Teaching You?

When He called His disciples, He first called them to be with Him.
Before they preached...
Before they served...
Before they were sent...They walked with Him. They listened. They asked questions.

They watched how He loved people. They learned His heart.
This is still His invitation to you.

The Christian life is not first about doing more. It is about knowing Jesus more.
Everything else flows from that relationship.

The more time you spend with Jesus, the more His heart begins to shape yours.
The more closely you walk with Him, the more naturally your life begins to reflect His.
This is how Jesus Christ becomes your lifestyle.

A Lie You May Be Believing

Maybe you've believed that your value is measured by how much you accomplish.
Or maybe you feel guilty whenever you slow down long enough to simply spend time with Him.



Understand, Jesus never measures your love for Him by the length of your to-do list.
He delights in your desire to know Him.

Remember Mary sitting at His feet.
She chose what was better because she chose to be with Jesus.

Never believe that time spent in His presence is time wasted.
This is where your heart is renewed.

What Difference Does This Make?

Everything changes when being with Jesus becomes the highest priority of your day.
Prayer becomes more than words.
Scripture becomes more than information.
Worship becomes more than a song.

Your relationship with Jesus becomes the place where your soul finds rest.
The pressures of life begin to lose their control because your heart is learning to rest in His presence.

As Jesus Christ becomes your lifestyle, spending time with Him no longer feels like another task. It becomes the place where you most desire to be.

How Should This Shape the Way You Live?

Before you begin your day...Spend time with Jesus.
Before making an important decision...Spend time with Jesus.
When joy fills your heart...Spend time with Jesus.
When sorrow overwhelms you...Spend time with Jesus.

Don't wait until life becomes difficult. Make His presence your dwelling place.
Remain close to Jesus. Not because He has moved away from you...
But because your heart was created to live near Him.

A Prayer

Father, thank You for inviting me into a relationship with Your Son.
Forgive me for the times I have become so busy that I have neglected simply being with Jesus.

Give me a heart that delights in His presence.
Teach me to treasure time in Your Word and in prayer, not as duties to perform, but as opportunities to know my Savior more deeply.



May my greatest joy always be found in walking with Him.
In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

An Invitation

Before you continue with your day, don't ask yourself, **"What do I need to accomplish today?"**

First ask, **"How can I spend time with Jesus today?"**

Open His Word. Talk with Him honestly. Sit quietly before Him. Listen.
Don't rush the moment.

Some of the most life-changing moments you'll ever experience won't happen because you accomplished something extraordinary. They will happen because you chose to be with Jesus.

Remain close to Jesus.

As you continue abiding in Him, you'll discover that the greatest gift He gives you is not merely His direction for your life. It is Himself.

And as Jesus Christ becomes your lifestyle, you'll find that your deepest joy is no longer found in what you accomplish for Him, but in simply walking with the One who loves you beyond measure.