

Embrace the Foolishness of Being a Christian

There are two types of shame spoken about in the Bible. We talk often about the shame connected with failure. However, we are even more familiar with the feeling of shame that comes with being made to look like a fool.

Scripture(s): 2 Timothy 1:8-12

Remember this - The boldness of the Christian comes from the deep conviction that Jesus is worth our everything.

I. The first reason to fully commit to the foolishness of being a Christian no matter the cost is being _____ is what we are called to be.

II. The second reason to fully commit to the foolishness of being a Christian no matter the cost is we have been saved by _____, not us.

Ephesians 2:8-9 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

III. The third reason to fully commit to the foolishness of being a Christian no matter the cost is _____ and immortality are the glorious results of His gift.

IV. The fourth reason to fully commit to the foolishness of being a Christian no matter the cost is faithful Christians are our _____.

Acts 5:27-32 ... 29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men.

2 Timothy 4:9-10 9 Make every effort to come to me soon; 10 for Demas, having loved this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica...

V. The fifth reason to fully commit to the foolishness of being a Christian no matter the cost is we know Jesus makes us _____.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 23 Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 24 He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

Our challenge: Understand and fully embrace the personal _____ of being a follower of Jesus.

1. What is the difference between His _____ and what this world calls _____? Do we know it?
2. Do you let His gifts and His heroes _____ you?
3. Have you defined _____ the way Jesus defines _____?

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