Sermon Notes - Mt.8.16-22 January 24, 2021

I. THE WALL OF C vv.18–22
When Jesus decided to cross the lake, the issue of C emerges.
For a scribe to address Jesus as "T" was significant.
He found Jesus A & wanted to be A with Him. "I will follow You wherever You go"
"Son of Man" was a term of His H (used first in Da.7.13)
The Lord knew that the initial declared faith of many was shallow & S
The Lord's words revealed that his T L was only for C
There is no thrill like the joy of knowing and F Christ, but
The Christian life is not adding Jesus but R one's personal way of life for His - and being willing to P whatever cost that may require.
II. THE WALL of R v.21
The second man A that his relationship to Jesus was all it should be.
He wanted to be A with Jesus in name, but the focus of his life was not or S the Lord.
The Christian's responsibility is not to follow the world but to be a W to the world in Christ's name.
But Jesus knew the man's heart and that his M was weak and his L divided.
<u>Jesus makes clear that commitment to Him is total & unreserved or it is not commitment at all.</u> (Mt.10.34–38).
Jesus is not here talking about Christian service but about S God will save N O who comes to Him with strings attached.
Belief in Jesus Christ is total I with Him.
Coming to Jesus Christ is coming on His T , not our own.
CONCLUSION: Following Jesus must be a H priority than 1.)personal comfort. 2.)family obligations.

To partially believe is to not believe.

To be partially saved is to be lost