

Luke 9:51-62
For the week of 9/7/2025



Reflection

1. What were some of the insights for you from Sunday's sermon?

Read verses 51-56.

2. What does the phrase "to be taken up" refer to? (see Mark 16:19)
3. What does the phrase "he set his face to go to Jerusalem" mean. Note that it is repeated in verse 53.
4. What is Luke conveying in writing "51 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem"?

Note: See map on first page to see why Jesus went through Samaria.

Why did the Samaritans reject Jesus and His followers? (See 2 Kings 6:6-34; John 4:9)

5. In verse 54, the Sons of Thunder ask Jesus a question. (See 2 Kings 1:10, 12)
Why do they ask this question?

6. How does Jesus respond to their question? Why?

Application

7. How do you handle rejection in your walk with Christ?

Read verses 57-62

8. The three men along the road...

Verses 57-58 – the first man expresses a readiness to follow. How does Jesus respond and why?

9. Verses 59-60 – The second man is called. How does he respond and how does Jesus confront his response? (Note: On this view his request was to stay at home until his father died.¹)
10. Verses 61-62 – The third man offers to follow Jesus (like the first man). What is his request and how does Jesus reply to his request?

Application

11. Have you counted the cost in truly following Jesus? How?

12. How do you respond when following Jesus reveals....

*That following Jesus isn't what I thought it was going to be..

*I can't just get around to my calling when it suits me...

*That I can't keep looking back when Jesus is calling me forward...

¹ Leon Morris, [*Luke: An Introduction and Commentary*](#), vol. 3, Tyndale New Testament Commentaries (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1988), 199.