

Great Encounters with Jesus, pt 4

Priorities

Seek (Mt 6:33-34)

How do we deal with anxiety?

Seek -another imperative

The point: a lot of our anxiety derives from over-emphasis on the wrong stuff.

Lesson from the birds and lilies

What rises to the top of our pursuits?

Kingdom and righteousness

Our part

God's part

A time for self-reflection

Follow (Mt 4:18–22; 9:9 16:24)

A disciple is a learner.

Incarnational emphasis (Lu 6:40; see Mt 10:24–25)

People are obsessed with followers today.

The exchanged life (Gal 2:20)

Who are and will you follow?

Surrender

We like to be in control and in charge

Who touts surrender? Submission? Dependence?

Servant (Mt 20:26)

Humility (Prov 27:2; 1 Pe 5:5; Jas 4:6)

Cost (Mt 16:24; Mk 8:34; Lu 9:23)

How and why would I surrender?

Greatness (Ps 145:3; Col 2:3; Job 42:2)

Take it Home

Will you make seek, follow & surrender a new or renewed focus?