



*“Your way was in the sea,
Your path in the great waters,
And Your footsteps were not known.”*

Psalm 77:19

*“If you had known Me, you would have known
My Father also; and from now on you know
Him and have seen Him.”*

John 14:7

*“the life was manifested, and we have
seen, and bear witness, and declare to you
that eternal life which was with the Father and
was manifested to us”*

1 John 1:2

Following Christ



The gospels open and close with an emphasis on following Jesus

- “follow me and I will make you fishers of men” (Matthew 4:19)
- “If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me” (John 21:22)

Now they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. And as they followed they were afraid. Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him: ³³ “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles; ³⁴ and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again.”

Mark 10:32-34

“Jesus was going before them...”

(Mk. 10:32-34)

OBEDIENCE

- ✓ He was fully obedient to His Father's will
 - At age 12: “*did you not know that I must be about my Father's business?*” (Luke 2:49)
 - Even before that!: “*Behold I have come-in the volume of the book it is written of Me-To do Your will, O God.*” (Heb. 10:7,9)
 - He knew that life was predicated on obedience to God's word: “*man shall not live by bread alone but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God*”



“Jesus was going before them...”
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- ✓ He was fully determined to accomplish His objective
 - “Behold we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed” (Mk. 10:33)
 - He was resolute:
 - “He set His face toward Jerusalem” (Luke 9:51);
 - “I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished!” (Luke 12:50)

“Jesus was going before them...”

✓ A blind man is made to see (Mark 10:46-52)

- He sought the help of the Lord! (Mk. 10:47)
- There is reason for rejoicing that he is willing to help! (:49)
- Cast aside whatever slows you down! (:50)
- When the Lord heals you then follow Him on the road! (:52)

