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## Notes

The third and last in this series of how to Live the life I was always destined to live!

Last element – ‘Follow Me’.

The call to follow comes in three particular ways.

It’s – Personal – Passionate – Purposeful.

### 1) Personal

Followers of Jesus are a bit like football supporters, they are in basically three types.

#### a) In Name Only

They may say they support the club but they never turn up for the games, know nothing of the players or the fixtures – but if asked ‘yes, I’m a follower of such and such a team’.

#### b) When It’s Convenient

They only go to home games – you can’t expect them to travel. If it’s not too cold or raining, might be there. But if there is anything more demanding in my busy life then guess what – you won’t see me – it’s not a priority!

#### c) Excited But Uninvolved

They wear the strip, go to lots of matches, shout, cheer and are often full of some spirit. They know all about the players, the game, the rules but – may have never kicked a ball in their lives! They make a great crowd but Jesus isn’t looking for crowds He’s looking for ‘team players’.

### 2) Passionate

Jesus said – ‘Follow Me and I will ...’

I will – love you, be with you, save you, provide for you and so much more.

Following Him should create a great passion in us to want to be with Him – has it done so for you?

#### Purposeful

Follow Me, and I will make you ...

Make you into what?

#### A Disciple

A learner, a pupil, imitator, follower and apprentice.

#### Apprentice

One bound to another to learn a craft or trade.

Jesus has bound Himself to you in order to apprentice you for a task.

## Personal Response

Meditate on:

Act on:

'When you first became a follower where you aware of what you were being apprenticed for – what are you in training for?

Have you discovered what it is and are you now able to function in that role ?

Follow Me – it's personal - passionate and purposeful and it's the life you were always destined to live.  
Are you living it?