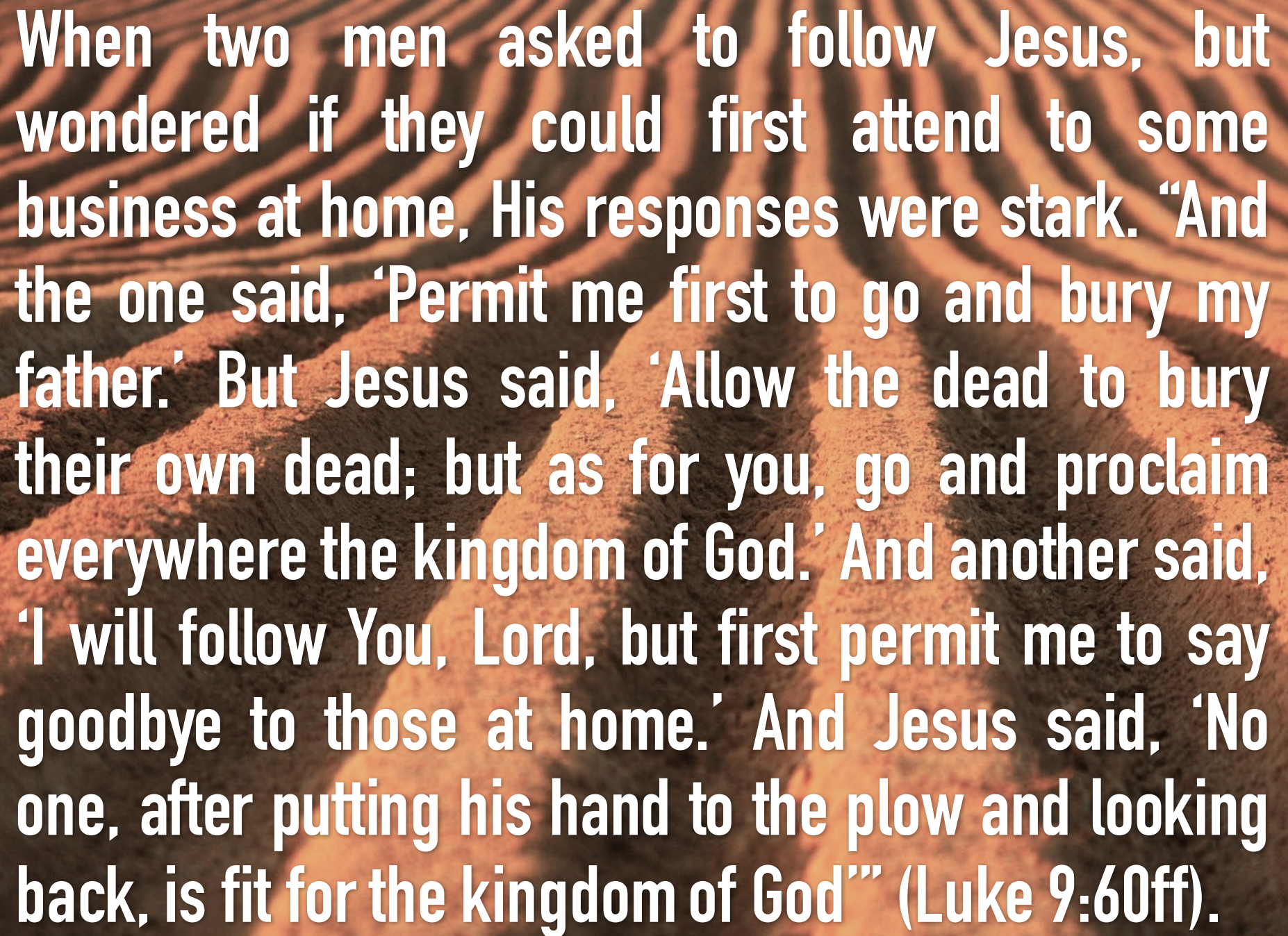


# FAMILY PRIORITIES



**FAITH**

**FAMILY**




When two men asked to follow Jesus, but wondered if they could first attend to some business at home, His responses were stark. “And the one said, ‘Permit me first to go and bury my father.’ But Jesus said, ‘Allow the dead to bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim everywhere the kingdom of God.’ And another said, ‘I will follow You, Lord, but first permit me to say goodbye to those at home.’ And Jesus said, ‘No one, after putting his hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God’” (Luke 9:60ff).

# SERVING BOTH

A light blue silhouette of a family of seven people (two adults and five children) holding hands in a circle, positioned behind the text on the slide.

- “Jesus’ example is one of incarnational love to us. He didn’t pit His love for His Father against us. He often loved His father by loving us” (McMullen, p. 57).
- Hebrews 2:10ff, John 8:28–32, 42
- 2 Corinthians 8:5
- This balance is seen in the home life of church elders, whose qualifications frequently involve some aspect of how they interact with and lead their families (1 Timothy 3:4–5).

A graphic design featuring a teal background with white silhouettes of a family of six (two adults and four children) holding hands in a line. The text is overlaid on this graphic.

**A HOME LIFE WORTH  
REMEMBERING**