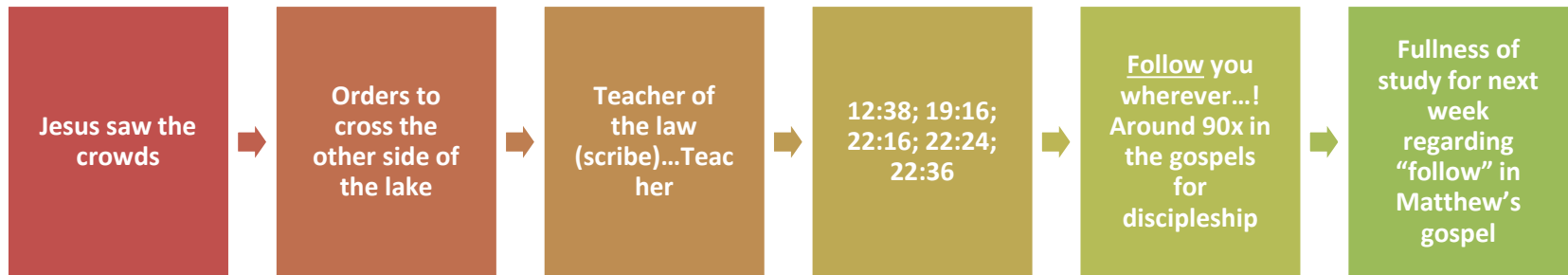


The Cost of Following Jesus

Matthew 8:18-34





Follow Me, 8:18-22

Jesus Calms the Storm, 8:23-27



- Times Jesus goes into a boat
- Disciples followed him
- “Behold”—a great storm arose in the sea
- Boat swamped by the waves
- Contrast—however, he was sleeping
- Lord, save us, we are perishing—
theological perspective in Matthew!
14:30;
- 27:40; 1:21; 10:22; 14:30! 16:25

Jesus Calms the Storm, 8:23-27



- Why are you fearful? Natural!
- O You of little faith (significant in Matthew's gospel regarding his disciples)
- Rebuked winds and sea (17:18—demon)
- Great calm
- Men marveled
- What kind [of man] is this? Obey him



Jesus Restores Two Demon-Possessed Men, 18:28-34

- Region of the Gadarenes
- 2 possessed men came from the tombs
- Recognized “Son of God”
- Question—torture before appointed time?
- Demons begged Jesus—divine authority
- Go! Command of Jesus
- Impact on town & their request