

REFOCUS: "FINE TUNING YOUR FOCUS"

Part #1 – Clarity: The Cost and Calling

Luke 9:23-26

Sermon Series Summary

Have you ever wanted to refocus your priorities in life, but you didn't know where to start? This series helps you reevaluate your priorities in life and compels you to refocus your vision, values, and virtues to make sure you are living 100% for the glory of God. This series will help you gain Clarity, Conviction, and Courage as you choose to refocus your life on what matters most to the Lord.

Main Text

Luke 9:23-26 – ²³ And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. ²⁴ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. ²⁵ For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? ²⁶ For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.

**Big Idea – Gain Clarity by Choosing to Be All In for the Lord
Which Means You Must Go All Out**

Three Principles of Clarity to Help You Refocus

Principle #1 – Clarify the Calling: Gain Clarity by Learning to Give All to Gain All

Luke 9:23 – And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."

Principle #2 – Count the Cost: Calibrate Your Word and Walk by Practicing Paradox Living

Luke 9:24-25 – ²⁴ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. ²⁵ For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself?

Principle #3 – Cultivate Courage: Refocus Your Life by Living Boldly for the Glory of God

Luke 9:26 – For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.

Memory Verse

Matthew 16:24 (ESV) – Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

Challenge:

You are called to consistently apply the divine principles and truths found in the Word of God. Take the next step in your study by (1) Discussing and applying the sermon with your family or small group or (2) Participating in a Sunday School class.