

The Adventure of a Lifetime March 12 & 13, 2022

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John 1:39 (NLT)

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Jesus' requirement to join the adventure - "Come and die."

Mark 8:34 (TPT)

"Jesus had his disciples and the crowd gather around him. And he said to them: 'If you truly want to follow me, you should at once completely disown your own life. And you must be willing to share my cross and experience it as your own, as you continually surrender to my ways."

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"For if you choose self-sacrifice and lose your lives for my glory, you will continually discover true life. But if you choose to keep your lives for yourselves, you will forfeit what you try to keep."

5 Benefits to following Jesus in this great adventure:



I'm saved from the selfishness of the world.

Matthew 19:21-22 (MSG)

"'If you want to give it all you've got,' Jesus replied, 'go sell your possessions; give everything to the poor. All your wealth will then be in heaven. Then come follow me.' That was the last thing the young man expected to hear. And so, crestfallen, he walked away. He was holding on tight to a lot of things, and he couldn't bear to let go."



I'm surrounded by God's unconditional love.

John 13:34-35 (TPT)

"So I give you now a new commandment: Love each other just as much as I have loved you. For when you demonstrate the same love I have for you by loving one another, everyone will know that you're my true followers."

1 John 4:16-17 (TPT)

"We have come into an intimate experience with God's love, and we trust in the love he has for us. God is love! Those who are living in love are living in God, and God lives through them. By living in God, love has been brought to its full expression in us so that we may fearlessly face the day of judgment, because all that Jesus now is, so are we in this world."



I'm safe regardless of who or what comes against me.

Matthew 8:28-32 (NLT)

"'Why are you interfering with us, Son of God?'..., 'If you cast us out, send us into that herd of pigs.' 'All right, go!' Jesus commanded them. So the demons came out of the men and entered the pigs, and the whole herd plunged down the steep hillside into the lake and drowned in the water."

Isaiah 54:17 (GNT)

"'But no weapon will be able to hurt you; you will have an answer for all who accuse you. I will defend my servants and give them victory.' The LORD has spoken."



I'm <u>supplied</u> with everything I need to live this life of adventure.

John 14:12-14 (NLT)

"I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father. You can ask for anything in my name, and I will do it, so that the Son can bring glory to the Father. Yes, ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it!"

Philippians 4:19 (GNT)

"And with all his abundant wealth through Christ Jesus, my God will supply all your needs."

I'm <u>secure</u> forever through the sacrifice of Jesus.

John 16:33 (TPT)

"And everything I've taught you is so that the peace which is in me will be in you and will give you great confidence as you rest in me. For in this unbelieving world you will experience trouble and sorrows, but you must be courageous, for I have conquered the world!"

Romans 8:32, 37-39 (NIV)

"He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?... No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

How to join the great adventure?

- 1. Believe in Jesus as my only hope for heaven.
- 2. Begin to read and apply God's map for this journey.

God's Map = The Bible

3. <u>Become</u> a Christian who risks everything for the kingdom of God.

Matthew 6:33-34 (TPT)

"So above all, constantly seek God's kingdom and his righteousness, then all these less important things will be given to you abundantly. Refuse to worry about tomorrow, but deal with each challenge that comes your way, one day at a time. Tomorrow will take care of itself."

John 14:6-7 (TPT)

"Jesus explained, 'I am the Way, I am the Truth, and I am the Life. No one comes next to the Father except through union with me. To know me is to know my Father too. And from now on you will realize that you have seen him and experienced him."



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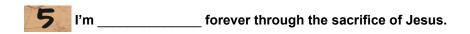
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