

Jesus gets rid of the \_\_\_\_\_ when He invites \_\_\_\_\_ to follow Him.

Jesus meets people and calls people from \_\_\_\_\_.

*Jesus doesn't call the \_\_\_\_\_,*

*He qualifies the \_\_\_\_\_.*

There is no standard for \_\_\_\_\_.

There is a standard for \_\_\_\_\_.

There is a higher standard for \_\_\_\_\_.

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It's for anyone, and it's \_\_\_\_\_

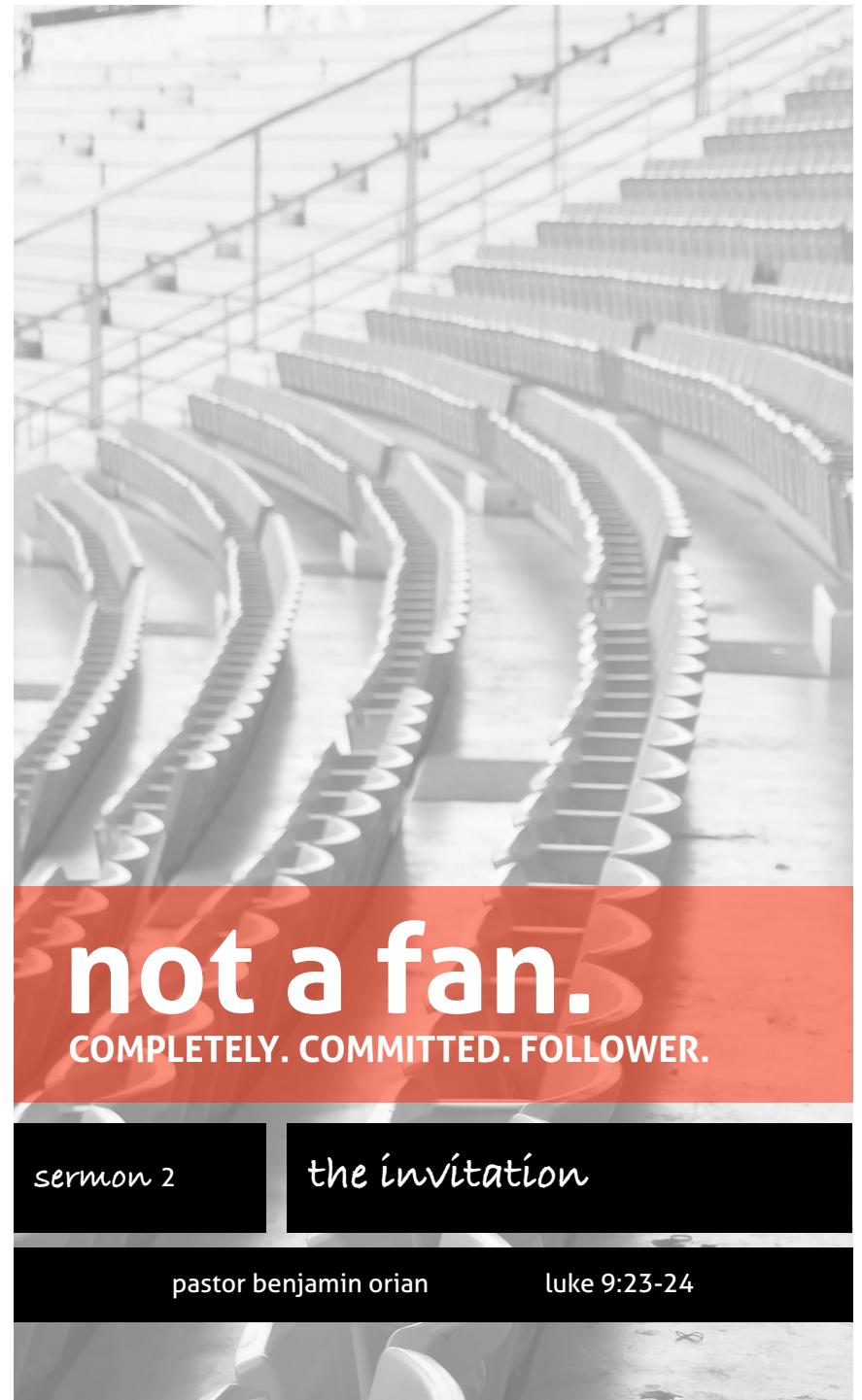
When you come to follow Jesus, it's clear that you are giving everything. That's the way it was. You left everything—your job, your home, whatever was holding you back, you left and followed the rabbi. You went where he went, and did what he did.

Kyle Idleman writes, "***Following Jesus isn't something you can do at night where no one notices, it's a 24-hour-a-day commitment that will interfere with your life. That's not the small print—that's a guarantee.***"

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## READ THE FINE PRINT...

You've seen the advertisements...in the coupon section, on TV, on the radio... "WIN \$5,000!" or you get a coupon for buy one get one at a burger joint. But then you look at the bottom of the coupon and this is this little, tiny, fine, hard-to-read, print. What does it say?

Those are the TERMS & CONDITIONS. It's the fine print that tells you under what circumstances you can use that coupon. Today we will see the fine print of Jesus' invitation.



## THE FINE PRINT OF OUR TEXT FOR TODAY:

Key Text: Luke 9:23 (NKJV)

**"The He said to them all, 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.' "**

### FOUR FINE PRINT POINTS:

1

Who is welcome to follow Jesus?

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the invitation

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To understand the invitation of the text, it would help us to understand what a Rabbi was, and how they came to assume the positions they did:

A rabbi was a teacher of God's Word and ways. Education for children started early—by age 5 and continued until they were young adults. Sometimes, a rabbi would choose specific individuals to follow him. Only a very elect few of the most promising students were asked to be disciples. The rabbi selected only those who he thought could fully measure up to his standard and eventually become just like himself.

If a rabbi judged a potential disciple to have the capability to become just like him, then the rabbi would utter those cherished words of acceptance—"Follow me."

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ANYONE Means:

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When Jesus means everyone, He means there are no pre-existing

*"I think the church needs to do away with unbiblical qualifications we often self-righteously impose on would be church members."*

3

No Qualifications Means:

NO \_\_\_\_\_