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23-June-2024 | Discussion Questions Growing towards the Kingdom | Luke 9:51-62 | Bro. Prathab V

1.	Jesus was a man with a mission. His birth and purpose were special and he had a destiny from the beginning. Why was Jesus so resolute/determined to go to Jerusalem? Discuss.
2.	Read John 4: 19-24. Why did the Samaritans not welcome Jesus? Discuss the difference in worship methods of the Samaritans and the Jews.
3.	Read 2 Kings 1: 1-15. The Samaritans incurred the anger of James and John, who wanted to call down fire to consume them. In what ways was this response similar or different from Elijah's? What can we learn from Jesus' response?
4.	In Luke 9: 57-58, the response from Jesus is surprising. Why do you think Jesus said that? What does this mean to all followers of Christ?
5.	Luke 9:59-60. What does it mean to "let the dead bury the dead"? What is Jesus teaching here? Discuss.



6. What is so wrong about goodbye to your family? After all, even Elisha did that (see 1 Kings 19: 19-21). What is Jesus teaching here about not looking back?

7. For Reflection and Application:

- a. In your opinion, what kind of followers is Jesus seeking?
- b. What type of follower are you? Discuss and elaborate.
- c. Must we give up everything to follow Jesus today? (Compare 1 Tim 5: 7-8).