

THE BROKEN COLUMN
Luke 9:57-62

I. Broken By An Unwillingness To Count The Cost.

- a. He was an enthusiast. Gave a good resolution, "I will follow thee."
- b. He was a Levi. Matthew tells us rich with social connections perhaps.
- c. Christ would not have us follow Him through mistake or misunderstanding.

II. Broken By Involved Duty.

- a. Evidently some good in this person. Jesus calls him. Jesus saw deep in this heart.
- b. He was called to a great opportunity. "Go thou and preach the gospel." He will have to answer for the good he might have done.
- c. His involvement. "Suffer me first to go and bury my Father." Suffer me first to do this or the other.

III. Broken By A Divided Heart.

- a. He had a mind to follow Christ. "I follow thee out." Held a reserve.
- b. Had a longing for home enjoyments and a desire to bid friends good-bye. Danger of being discouraged of them. Many have been led astray because of forming the wrong kind of friendship.
- c. The Divided Heart is not fit for the kingdom. "No man having put his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the kingdom."