

MY FOCUS – A ONE WAY TICKET

ALL IN – Part 2

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We must keep our eyes on Jesus, who leads us and makes our faith complete...

Hebrews 12:2a (CEV)

How do I keep an *All In* focus as I follow Jesus?

1. It all starts with a Decision and a Determination.

As they were walking along, someone said to Jesus, “I will follow you wherever you go.” But Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens to live in, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place even to lay his head.” He said to another person, “Come, follow me.” The man agreed, but he said, “Lord, first let me return home and bury my father.” But Jesus told him, “Let the spiritually dead bury their own dead! Your duty is to go and preach about the Kingdom of God.” Another said, “Yes, Lord, I will follow you, but first let me say good-bye to my family.” But Jesus told him, “Anyone who puts a hand to the plow and then looks back is not fit for the Kingdom of God.”

Luke 9:57-62 (NLT)

2. I need to make it a Single-Minded Priority

But more than anything else, put God's work first and do what he wants. Then the other things will be yours as well.

Matthew 6:33 (CEV)

3. I need to be aware of and overcome all obstacles.

No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us.

Romans 8:37 (NLT)

4. I need to face and erase my past.

I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me. No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

Philippians 3:12-14 (NLT)

Have I made a Decision to follow Jesus as my Savior and my Lord?
Have I made a Determination that “I’m All In” and,
“There’s no Turning Back”?