



# Face Forward

Pushing past the things that hold you back

## Part 2: Set Your Face

How do you know you are moving in the right direction?

You can MOVE AWAY from where you were

without MOVING TOWARD where you should be

*When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he **set his face** to go to Jerusalem.*  
- Luke 9:51 (ESV)

“Set his face” = RESOLUTE DETERMINATION

*And he said, “The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.”* - Luke 9:22 (NIV)

Jesus chose to move toward HIS MEANING

*Then he said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.*

*- Luke 9:23 (NIV)*

You need to make sure your “meaning” is:

1. More important than your own BENEFIT

*...must deny themselves...*

2. More imperative than your own COMFORT

*...take up their cross daily...*

3. More intelligent than your own IDEAS

*...and follow me...*

*For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?*

*- Luke 9:24-25 (NIV)*