

FOLLOWING THE CAR

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My friend and I saw a bumper sticker on the car in front of us. It read: "Do you follow Jesus so closely?"

My driver friend and I started to laugh and I noticed that our car was slowing down.

I never tailgate since I drive very slowly. It is the car behind me that often comes so close to hint that I should drive faster. Perhaps I should buy a sticker like the one above mentioned.

My knowledge of cars is very limited too. I only know the colors and sizes of cars. Once, a lady in the church asked me to follow her car to a restaurant where she would treat me with lunch. She had a small red car, that's all I knew. So I followed her. But after a few blocks and several turns, I saw that the red car had one more person in it. Uh-oh! It was the wrong red car I'd been following.

I turned back right away and found my friend waiting for me at the first street where we had started. Luckily I still got the lunch treat.

That's the reason why we can't follow Jesus all the time; because we

don't know Him so well. We only know that He is love, then we follow the people who have showed love to us without discerning the truth they believe or the behaviors they practice.

We think that we are following Jesus, actually we are following the devil who pretends to be a bright angel.

The other reason why we can't follow Jesus is because we let other things come between us and Jesus. Just like when I followed my friend's car, I let other cars come between us. When one or two cars come between us, I will lose sight of my friend. We all have had the experience of the telephone ringing while we are having devotion, or of our own thoughts distracting our prayers. The most horrible thing is that we let our desires of fame, money and other carnal sins block our sight of Jesus. Thus, we go the opposite way until we perish.

Dear friends! The Lord who has abundant mercy and love is waiting for you at the roadside. Will you turn around and follow Him closely? △