

Following Christ's Footsteps

John 5:16-20

Christ was:

1. Attentive to the Father's activity

16 | And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath.

17a | But Jesus answered them, "My Father is working until now..."

2. Available to the Father's activity

17b | "...and I am working."

18 | This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.

3. Abandoned to the Father's activity

19 | So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.

4. Assured of the Father's activity

20 | For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel.