## JOURNEY TO THE CROSS: To Carry the Cross

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## Matthew 16:24-25

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.

 The way to life is found in
 your cross (see Matthew 16:24)

 The best way to save your life is to
 it for sake of Jesus (see Matthew 16:25)

 All of us face a battle over whether we will listen to
 or to
 (see Matthew 16:21-22)

 Culture says:
 Culture says:

yourself
yourself
yourself
yourself
yourself

## Jesus says:

• yourself
• your life
• your cross
• me.
• me
Q: What is the in my life that I have taken up the cross of Christ? (see <u>Matthew 10:38</u> )
To take up my cross is to live the " (sacrificial) life.

My Notes: