

Meditation/Study Guide

Carry Your Cross Matthew 16:24

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Bible References for Meditation:

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

Fundamental Truths of God:

Matthew 16:24-27 Acts 2:38, Romans 10:9-11 1 Peter 1:9, James 1:21 2 Corinthians 5:17, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, Romans 6:8 1 Peter 2:21

- Jesus Christ is our Savior and Lord of our lives! We are born, created, formed, and made in Him as the righteous ones of God the Father by grace through faith. (2Cor 5:17, Ephesians 2:8)
- It is through the willing sacrifice of Jesus Christ that He finished the will of God The Father to redeem and reconcile mankind that we have the gift of life and life abundantly.(John 3:38, 10:10, 18, Isaiah 53)
- Jesus completed the will of God the Father to reconcile the lost on the Cross and through the Power of God in resurrection. (John19:30, Hebrews 10:9-10)
- We are to imitate Jesus Christ as our example to honor God and the given righteous life that He died for us, including the suffering of following the will of God in this human life. (1 Peter 2:21, 1Peter 4:13, 16, Matthew 16:25)
- God is our Rewarder and not the world. We are the inheritance and the inheritors of God in Jesus Christ. We must value and trust God in our lives.(Matthew16:26, Hebrews 10:29, Hebrews 11:6, Philippians 3:8, Is 54)

What is the Father saying?

Each one born in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, have been created new UNTO a new life! However this life will be lived initially in this earth, in earthly situations, circumstances and experiences. The sons and daughters of God must grow in Jesus Christ that we imitated His very walk and victory in this earth, until we finish this race and enter into the more abundant life eternally with Christ and our Father. This Journey of Life requires us the Carry Our Cross, as Jesus spoke and speaks today! To Carry Our Cross, of old ways, old understandings, old motives, we must choose the Will of God in every aspect of our lives. The Will of God transforming our conduct, first beginning in our minds, will and emotions, that we do not lean to our own understanding but reason, process with the Mind of Christ given to us. In this walk, imitating Christ just as He did, we will loose and bear the weight of loses. But Glory to God and the One who is faithful to keep us in His divide Power has given us all we need to live, endure and finish this life in Him, The Godly Life! (1 Peter 1:1-4)