

## "BEARING OUR CROSS DAILY"

What does it mean to bear our cross or to take up our cross daily?

## Matthew 16:24-25 & Luke 9:23

Jesus is basically saying, you must be willing to carry this <u>cross</u> (the life) that I have given to you every day.

Jesus endured much greater than you and I could ever imagine.

Jesus gave up something far greater.

Jesus died for us to live an <u>abundant</u> life, a life full of joy and contentment.

Our sole <u>priority</u> to spend time in His presence, and all other pursuits should be <u>secondary</u> to that.

Bearing His Cross is **NOT** a burden.

Jesus is calling you to discipleship.

We must be willing to <u>surrender</u> to Him so that He can <u>lead</u> us through our <u>daily</u> walk.

Jesus wants you and I to take His prescription	$\underline{\mathbf{n}}$ that will save our soul from the penalty of death.
Bearing our cross daily is not a <u>burden</u> .	
Bearing our own cross shows to others that v	we are followers of Jesus Christ. Luke 14:27
But the <b>CROSS</b> you need to carry is this;	
• Dying to <u>self</u> ( <b>Luk. 9:23</b> )	
• Dying to the <u>flesh</u> ( <b>Gal. 5:9; Matt. 26:41</b> )	
• Dying to your <u>own</u> will ( <b>Gal. 2:20</b> )	
• Dying to the world (Rom. 12:2)	
• Dying to <u>sin</u> ( <b>Rom. 6:11</b> )	
• Dying for the sake of the GOSPEL (Mk. 8:	35)
Carrying your cross involves embracing life's endure whatever comes, in the belief that G	challenges and suffering with a willingness to od provides strength.
It is daily <u>commitment!</u>	
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