

## Run the Race – Count the Cost

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**Revelation 12:11 (NIV)** – “They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death”.

**John 15:13 (NIV)** – “Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends”.

**Genesis 3:14-15 (NIV)** – So the Lord God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this: Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He will crush your head, and you will strike His heel”.

**Genesis 3:15 (AMP)** – “And I will put enmity (open hostility) between you and the woman, and between your seed (offspring) and her Seed; He shall [fatally] bruise your head, and you shall [only] bruise His heel”.

**Genesis 15:8-10 (NIV)** - But Abram said, “Sovereign Lord, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?” So the Lord said to him, “Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon”. Abram brought all these to Him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half.

**Genesis 15:17-18a (NIV)** – “When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces. On that day, the Lord made a covenant with Abram”.

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**Luke 9:23-24 (NIV)** – Then He said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it”.

“You will never live until you walk to your death with Jesus. You can’t gain resurrection life without dying first” – **Pastor David Guzik**

**Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)** – “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age”.

**Hebrews 12:1-2 (NIV)** - “Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before Him, He endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God”.

**Hebrews 12:3 (NIV)** – “Consider Him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart”.

**Matthew 8:19-22 (NIV)** – Then a teacher of the law came to Him and said, “Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go”. Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay His head”. Another disciple said to Him, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father”. But Jesus told him, “Follow me, and let the dead bury their own dead”.

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**Philippians 3:7-8 (NIV)** – “But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ”.