

The Way of the Cross

Simon the Cyrene (Luke 23:26)

“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. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?” Luke 9:23-25

A cross bearer is someone who has made a daily decision to deny their own interest and way of life and has completely identified with Jesus.

Someone Who Goes the Way of the Cross is...

1. Willing to Pay the Price (Deny Yourself)

“In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.” Luke 14:33

2. Willing to Submit to His Control (Pick up Your Cross)

“He said to another man, follow me. But he replied Lord first let me go and bury my father.” Luke 9:59-60

3. Committed to Obedience to Jesus (Follow Me)

“Still another said, I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family. Jesus replied, no one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God. Luke 9:61-62

On the other side of every cross is a resurrection.
The cross, total commitment, and surrender to Jesus are the path to abundant life.