

How Far Does Jesus Expect Us to Follow Him?

Luke 9:22 -23 ... Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must:
A. deny themselves and B. take up their cross daily and C. follow me.

Jesus Expects His Followers to _____.

Romans 12:10 Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

Jesus Expects His Followers to _____ Their _____ Daily

**BOLD NEXT STEP: Today I will consider if I am really willing to die for Jesus.
Can I really say "Jesus I will take up my cross daily and follow you?"**

Why Must Followers of Jesus Deny Themselves and Take Up Their Cross Daily?

1. Followers Die Daily to Experience _____! Luke 9:24-25

The Parables of the Hidden Treasure and the Pearl Matthew 13:44-46 "

**NEXT STEP: This week I will inventory my life and consider if I am still willing to
sell or exchange everything for the life that Christ has for me.**

2. Followers Die Daily to Be _____.

Mark 10:28-30 / Matthew 6:31-33

3. Followers Die Daily to Experience the _____ of the Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 12:9

4. Followers Die Daily to Become Pliable to Be _____ by _____.

Isaiah 64:8 /
2 Corinthians 4:7

5. Followers Die Daily to _____ in Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:8-12 / Romans 6:5-8

6. Followers Die Daily to be _____.

John 15. / John 12:23-26

So How Far Are You Willing to Follow Jesus? Luke 9:23 / John 8:12

Life App Group and Family Devotional Application

1. How far does Jesus expect us to Follow Him? (Luke 9:22-23)
In your own words, how would you explain these verses to someone else?
2. Which do you think would be harder? To physically die for Jesus and go to heaven? Or to live and die to yourself daily?
3. Are all people generally selfish? On a scale of 1-10, how selfish are you at your best and how selfish are you at your worst?
How are we doing with Romans 12:10?
4. What can we learn from the parable of the hidden treasure and pearl of great price?
5. According to Matthew 10:28-30 and Matthew 6:31-33, can we trust Jesus to care for us when we die to self?
6. Going with the potter illustration, do you feel like you have been or are being molded and shaped by God? Explain. Has the master potter ever had to break you to remold you? Give an example.
7. Explain how fruit is produced from death as seen in John 12:23-26.

*Answers: Deny – Themselves / Take – Up – Cross / Real – Life / Truly – Cared – For / Sustaining – Strength /
Molded – God / Find – Life / Fruitful*