

Following Jesus

Luke 9:23-25

How important is it that the pattern of your life is following Jesus/denying self? What is at stake?

Take stock. Evaluate your life in recent days. When have you been obedient to the truth of this passage, when not?

When I denied myself for Christ; when I followed Him (and how I did it); when I lost part of my life for His sake; when I forfeited something to obey my Lord. How beautiful are such acts of faith?

When I served/pleased myself in opposition to Christ; when I followed someone or something else; when I did not give up all to walk with God:

Rejoice in obedience to Christ. Keeping His commands is loving the Lord, overcoming the world is evidence of true faith in Christ (1 John 5:1-5). Give thanks for God's help.

Confess your sins to the Lord (1 John 1:9). Agree with Him (hate it- Proverbs 28:13). Give thanks for forgiveness through Jesus.
