

The Steps of Jesus

*Take up your
cross and
follow Me.*

Matthew 16: 21-26

21 From that time Jesus began to show to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day.

**22 Then Peter took Him
aside and began to
rebuke Him, saying, "Far
be it from You, Lord; this
shall not happen to You!"**

**He is Lord of
all or He is
not Lord at
all.**

23 But He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan! You are an offense to Me, for you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men."

24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

Challenges to life:

- In saving – we lose it**
- In losing – we find it**
- He is the way, truth, life**

26 For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

Challenges to the soul:

- The eye**
- The flesh**
- The pride**

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