## "The High Cost of Discipleship" pt. 2 Matthew 10:38-39

**Main Idea:** "When Christ calls a man He bids him come and die" (Dietrich Bonhoeffer)

The Radical, Life-altering call to discipleship

The Call to Die (38-39)

Taking up one's cross (38a)
A voluntary act

A symbol of death

Dying to self (38a)

Principle: Being self-<u>oriented and</u> self-<u>centered</u> are incompatible with discipleship; because a disciple of Jesus is Christ-oriented and Christ-centered.

Why Jesus comes before "self" (38b)

Lost and Found (39)
Self-discovery leads to loss (39a)

## Self-sacrifice leads to gain (39b) Principle: The call to die is actually a call to really, truly live. In the end you're not giving up anything; you are gaining everything.

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