

DAY 4



Jesus warns his followers that it's going to be a difficult path if they choose to follow him.

Romans 10:9

Because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

It's one thing to say that you believe, but the real question comes down to action, that is, will you act on that belief?

Are you willing to use the opportunities God gives you to share the good news of Jesus Christ with others?

Can you say with your mouth that Jesus is your Lord and your master?

Adam and Eve rebelled against God and made a choice to not be under God's command. If you choose to be a Christ follower, it is like doing a 180 and saying "Yes! Jesus, I want you to be my master."

What are some of the things you have had to or will have to give up to make Jesus your Lord and Master?

Jesus, being God, emptied himself by becoming a man and taking on the form of a servant.



Matthew 7:13-14

Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow is the road that leads to life and only a few find it.

Jesus warned his followers that when you want to follow Jesus it's going to be a difficult path.

What are some ways in which you have chosen the narrow road even though it was difficult to do so? Was it worth it in the end? Explain.

Scenario Exercise:

As follower of Christ come up with some realistic scenarios that may prove to be difficult if you were to share your faith with family, friends, work, etc. and live as God calls you to live.

John 15:18-20

If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own, but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that said to you a servant is not greater than his master. If they persecuted me they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours.

Using your scenarios from the above exercise and in light of John 15:18-20 write out a prayer asking God to give you strength to follow along the narrow path even though it will be difficult.



Jesus gave us an example of how to live our lives.

1 John 3:16-18

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

We all know that it's pretty easy to talk a big game, but it's a whole different thing to live by them. The Bible doesn't hold back when it comes to helping those less fortunate. As a follower of Christ our finances and worldly goods are no longer ours but our master's. Following the narrow road is difficult. We don't build up rewards and wealth on earth, but in heaven. Are you willing to give of your time and resources for another who is need? Is God calling you to be a servant to someone you know who is in need

Come up with a few ways that you can use your time and your finances to act as Christ calls us to act towards those in need.

“Jesus was not only meant to be our Savior, but he was also meant to be our example.”

John 13:12-17

When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. “Do you understand what I have done for you?” he asked them. “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

“We live in a world where everyone wants the power, they want the authority and we then have the example of Jesus who had the power and had all authority and he chose to serve.”

Jesus came to serve and he calls us to do the same. Are you ready for that kind of life? Is this the life you desire? If it is, then get ready for the most exiting ride of your life. The narrow road is difficult, but it is also the most rewarding.