



Then he said to them all: **“If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.”** Luke 9:23

Jesus said . . .

1. **Carry your \_\_\_\_\_.** v. 25-27

<sup>25</sup> Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: <sup>26</sup> “If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters—yes, even his own life—he cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> And anyone who does not **carry his cross and follow me** cannot be my disciple.”

- The “call to hate” simply means to love \_\_\_\_\_ by comparison.

2. **Count the \_\_\_\_\_.** v. 28-30

<sup>28</sup> “Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and **estimate the cost** to see if he has enough money to complete it? <sup>29</sup> For if he lays the

foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him, <sup>30</sup> saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’”

3. **Prepare for \_\_\_\_\_.** v. 31-33

<sup>31</sup> “Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.”

4. **Make a \_\_\_\_\_.** v. 34-35

<sup>34</sup> “Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? <sup>35</sup> It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; it is thrown out.”

**Next Steps for July 24:**

- Memorize Luke 9:23.
- Walk through the new Choir/Music Rehearsal room after the worship service.
- Pray for the Haiti mission team.