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Matthew 16:21-28

Message Outline

"It is necessary ..."

1 ...That Jesus suffers, dies, and rises again

2 ...That we see things the way Jesus sees them

3 ... That we follow Him

4 ...That we open our eyes to see his glory

Objective: Reflect on the true cost of discipleship.

Icebreaker: is there a sport, artistic expression or habit that you would have liked to cultivate since your childhood?

To Start:

1. Let's review our memory verses Matthew 16:15-16
2. Let us briefly share some of our notes and/or our reflections derived from the teaching this weekend in Matthew 16:21-28.

To Observe a little and think a little:

1. Why do you think it was necessary for Jesus to go to Jerusalem? Let's read verse 21 in a few different versions before sharing.
2. Let's read verses 23 and 24 in a couple of versions and then take a few minutes to paraphrase these same verses, once time is over we can all share.

3. In light of verses 24 to 26, what are the requirements to be a disciple of Jesus?
4. Finally, let's read verses 27 and 28 to discuss what draws our attention the most from these verses.

To Reflect:

1. What has been the greatest paradox you have experienced? Are you currently learning to live in one? (The moderator explain and be the first to respond)
2. How necessary is it for you to learn to see things as God sees them?
3. If following Jesus means "denying yourself" do you consider yourself a follower of Jesus?)
4. In what area of brokenness and hopelessness do you need to "open" your eyes to see the kingdom of God?

Lets Pray.

Memory Verses:

Matthew 16:24 (basic level); Matthew 16:24-26 (sensei level):

24 Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25 For whoever wants to save their life[a] will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. 26 What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?"