



Then Jesus went to work on his disciples. "Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the driver's seat; I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how. Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to finding yourself, your true self. What kind of deal is it to get everything you want but lose yourself? What could you ever trade your soul for? Matthew 16:24-26 (MESSAGE)

1. Sacrifice your \_\_\_\_\_.

Such love has no fear because perfect love expels all fear. 1John 4:18a (NLT)

Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to get along happily whether I have much or little. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me the strength I need. Philippians 4:11-13 (NLT)

2. Sacrifice your \_\_\_\_\_.

So be careful how you live, not as fools but as those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity for doing good in these evil days. Ephesians 5:15-16 (NLT)

3. Sacrifice your \_\_\_\_\_.

Matthew 6:19-24

4. Sacrifice your \_\_\_\_\_.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NLT)

LifeGroup Study
For the week of June 6, 2010

Quick Review

Looking back over your note-sheet from the "App" message on Sunday, what was most challenging, helpful, or interesting to you?

Digging Deeper

1. What would you say are the top 3 most important things to you? Has this top 3 changed over time? Do your words, actions, and time show that these 3 are most important?

2. Read Matthew 16:24-26. What does it mean to...

- ...put aside your selfish ambition.
...shoulder your cross.
...follow Me (Jesus).

3. Go to the "Notetaking Sheet" part of this study. Read Matthew 16:24-26 in the Message Translation as it's printed there. What do you think about the following statement Jesus made? Have you found it to be true?

"Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to finding yourself, your true self."

4. What are the areas in your life that are the hardest to trust God with, and to sacrifice and put into His hands? Make a list as a group and then let these be part of your prayer time.

Prayer

Share any prayer requests you might have and pray together as a group.