

# What Does Conversion to the Lord Mean?

I Matthew 16:21-24

## I. It Means Denying Yourself - Dying!

A. How did the Lord deny Himself? - v21

1. What did He say? - Luke 22:42
2. What did He do? - Luke 22:49-54
3. What did He not do? - Matthew 26:53

B. Then - He says to you, "D\_\_\_\_\_ Y\_\_\_\_\_ " - v24.

1. Conversion means a complete B\_\_\_\_\_ - Romans 6:2.
2. What did the Lord say to Peter? - v23
3. What were the contrasts between man's way & God's way in the Lord's temptations? - Matthew 4:1-11
4. So - where should a disciple belong?
5. How do you lose your life in Christ? - v25; John 12:24

## II. It Means Taking Up Your Cross - Sacrifice!

A. How did the Lord become our example of sacrifice? - v21

B. In the light of this, what does he tell you to do? - v24

1. What is an example of mistaken cross bearing? Why?  
- Romans 12:1
2. What is the implication seen in your baptism?  
- Romans 6:4

## III. It Means Following Jesus - Imitating!

A. What popular children's game illustrates this idea?

B. What does the world mean when it says, "Follow me"?

1. Luke 12:16-21
2. Why is living only for this life foolish? - James 4:14
3. What is the difference between the world saying, "Follow me" & the Lord saying it? - v25

C. Conversion really means O\_\_\_\_\_ & following the Lord's E\_\_\_\_\_!

1. What is one of the basic reasons for baptism?  
- Romans 6:4
2. Genuine conversion is worth it!

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