

Jesus Predicts His Death - Matthew 16:21-28

Topics: Affections, Angels, Basics of the Faith, Commitment, Courage, Dedication, Devotion, Enemies, God's Will, Jesus Christ, Kingdom of God/Heaven, Last Days, Loyalty, Opposition, Perspective, Priorities, Resurrection, Sacrifice, Second Coming, Sin, Submission, Victory

Open It

- * 1. What are some ways people try to “find themselves”?
- 2. What is the most surprised you have ever been?
- 3. What is the best reward you've ever received?

Explore It

- 4. What did Christ begin telling His disciples would eventually happen to Him? (16:21)
- 5. How did Christ say He would suffer? (16:21)
- 6. Who did Christ say would oppose Him and make Him suffer? (16:21)
- 7. What did Christ say would happen after He was killed? (16:21)
- 8. How did Peter react to the news that Jesus would suffer and die? (16:22)
- 9. How did Jesus characterize Peter's objections? (16:23)
- * 10. What is required of the one who would follow Jesus? (16:24)
- * 11. What two ways can a person lose his or her life? (16:25)
- * 12. A person's soul is more valuable than what? How? (16:26)
- 13. What did Jesus say would happen after His death and resurrection? (16:27)
- 14. What will happen after Christ returns? (16:27)
- 15. What did Jesus promise His disciples? (16:28)

Get It

- 16. How would you live differently if you knew exactly when and how you were going to die?
- 17. How does it make you feel to realize that Jesus willingly died for your sins?
- 18. If a person's soul is worth more than the whole world, how ought that affect the way we spend our time?
- 19. What would change in your life if you denied yourself for Christ's sake?
- * 20. What does it mean to you to “take up your cross” and follow Jesus?
- * 21. In what situations do you find it difficult to follow Christ?
- 22. How should eternal rewards motivate us to live for Christ?

Apply It

- 23. What do you need to do this week to center your thoughts on the things of God?
- 24. What is one way you can deny yourself today for Christ's sake?
- * 25. What change in your weekly schedule could you make to better reflect what God considers important?