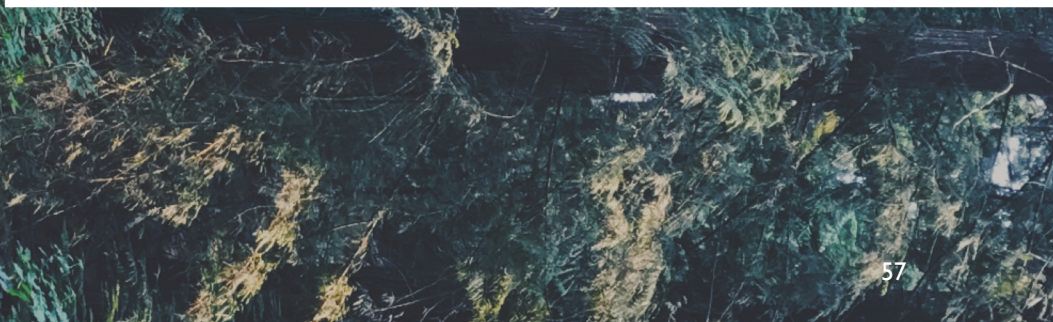




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Give to Live

Luke 9:18-26

Luke 9:18-21

Once when Jesus was **praying** in private and his disciples were with him, he asked them, “Who do the crowds say I am?”

They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, that one of the prophets of long ago has come back to life.”

“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?” Peter answered, “The Christ of God.”

Jesus strictly warned them not to tell this to anyone.

Luke 9:22-24

And he said, “The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.” 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.

For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will save it.

Tom Lin



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Jesus tells his disciples about the necessity of his death six times in Luke's gospel and the disciples never grasp its meaning until Jesus' resurrection.

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Divine logic surprises us because it is countercultural.

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Luke 9:23-25

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What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit his very self?”

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- It means to give God everything you have and depend on him for everything you need. (Luke 21:1-4)

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- It means you prioritize the pursuit of righteousness over the pursuit of material things. (Luke 12:22-34)

What does it mean to die for Christ?

- It means you reject the common notion that life is about building up an abundance of wealth and afterward taking life easy to enjoy it.
(Luke 12:14-21)

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- It means to forgive those who sin against you. (Luke 17:1-4)

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- It means you have to incur opposition from society. (Luke 13:14)

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- It means you learn not to be afraid of physical death (Luke 12:4-7)

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“Someday you will read in the papers that Moody is dead. Don’t you believe a word of it. At that moment I shall be more alive than I am now. I was born of the flesh in 1837, I was born of the spirit in 1855. That which is born of the flesh may die. That which is born of the Spirit shall live forever.”

Dwight L. Moody

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- It means you recognize that you have the resources of God's kingdom at your disposal. (Luke 12:29-32)

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- It means you recognize that your abundance is tied to your obedience to the word of God. (Luke 11:27-28)

What does it mean to live in abundance?

- It means you live by faith in God and what he has promised.

What does it mean to live in abundance?

- It means you are generous with your possessions (Luke 11:41 and 12:33-34)

What does it mean to live in abundance?

- It means you embrace your calling to make new disciples.

What does it mean to live in abundance?

- It means you live out your faith boldly in the world in anticipation of Christ's return. (Luke 9:26)

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