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Matthew 16:24-26

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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 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?

MATTHEW 16

¹ Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ² He came to Jesus at night and said, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.'

³ Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.'

⁴ 'How can someone be born when they are old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!'

JOHN 3

#1.

THE MOST MISUNDERSTOOD QUESTION

#2.

WHAT THE WORLD THINKS OF JESUS

#3.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Share how you would approach a pre-Christian to share the Gospel most naturally?**
- 2. How do you think an understanding of other religions can help you share your own faith?**
- 3. In what context would a knowledge of history and apologetics be helpful in your sharing the Gospel?**