***True Discipleship***

***Matthew 16:21-28***

**INTRODUCTION:** *In our passage today Jesus for the first time tells His disciples plainly what \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Him in Jerusalem.*

1. *It was not the first awareness that He Himself had of these things, but it was the first time that He made them \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so clearly to the disciples.*
2. *There was a divinely appointed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about the things that Jesus had said were about to occur to Himself.*
3. **Here, we find one of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ stories in the Gospel of Matthew.**
4. *Peter dares to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Lord.*
5. *I believe that this was a moment of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for our Lord.*
6. *I don't believe Jesus was meaning to say that Peter was Satan but that Jesus was realizing that Peter was being \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by Satan.*
7. *There is a price to pay for following Jesus. There is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to discipleship.*
8. **What does a disciple \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ like?**
9. *A disciple is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to following God's plan, not his own.*
10. **A disciple is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to pay the price.**
11. *The Christian life is a life of saying "\_\_\_\_" to me and "\_\_\_\_\_" to God.*
12. *Take up your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*
13. *Taking up your cross is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it's an attitude, it's a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*
14. *Then \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you take up your cross “Follow me.”*
15. **A disciple \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ up what he cannot keep to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ what he cannot lose.**
16. *The Christian life involves taking \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

CONCLUSION: *The return is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ more than the investment — but the investment is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, nonetheless.*