# GOD'S WORD Of you.

Sunday, July 21, 2024

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PART 4

# Lose your life to find your life.

MATTHEW 16:24-25

#### It's always about a **PERSON** (Matthew 16:21-24a)

#### knowing about God vs. knowing God

Those who know God have great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God

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Those who know God have great \_\_\_\_\_\_ in God

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things of man or the things of God

so say **NO** to yourself and **YES** to Jesus (Matthew 16:24)

deny yourself

#### take up your cross

Your cross is your \_\_\_\_\_

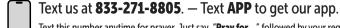
Focus on your cross, not someone else's \_\_\_\_\_

Your cross is a \_\_\_\_\_ death

follow me Mathew 9:9; Luke 18:22; John 1:43; John 21:19-22

and **LOSE** your life to **FIND** your life. (Matthew 16:25-27)

Following Jesus is a continual losing and gaining/finding.



Text this number anytime for prayer. Just say, "**Pray for...**" followed by your request.

Or if you just need someone to talk to, start texting us with whatever's going on and someone will be in touch via text.



## **Food for Thought**

Questions & Scripture for Further Study & Reflection

**What is this?** — Normally this section includes questions and a study for our Life Groups. If you're not in one, you should sign up in the Commons, let us know on a Connect Card, or contact the church office! Most groups break for the summer, but others will continue and use this for their study time together. Instead of our normal study guide, this is a smaller study and some questions for you to reflect/journal on throughout the week. Look for sign-ups for new groups in August!

#### Food for Thought...

<b>Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching,</b> was there anything heard for the first time, that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?	y
This week, take time to read through Matthew 16:21-28. Use the questions below for some journalling prompts.	
<b>Day 1 – Understanding Jesus's Mission:</b> In Matthew 16:21, Jesus predicts his death, suffering, and resurrection. What did he say would happen to him? How would he suffer? Who did he say would oppose him? How does understanding Jesus's prediction of these things influence your faith and daily walk with him? He response to Peter in v. 22-23 makes it clear Jesus was focused on living out his mission.—How would you live differently if you knew exactly how and when you were going to die?	

Day 2 – God's Perspective v. Human Perspective: Jesus gives us some insight on the difference between God's perspective and our own when it comes to what constitutes a meaningful life. Setting our minds on the things of man v. the things of God can be disastrous. In what ways am I clinging to a human perspective rather than seeking God's perspective in my decisions and actions? How is it affecting me?

### Welcome to Wawasee!

#### **OUR** This is who we hope you grow **OUTCOMES** to become at Wawasee Bible... If I'm truly growing as a follower of Jesus, I should be growing in the ways that I am... Am I reading the Word regularly? When am I gathering to hear the Receiving From God. Responding To God. Receiving From Others. Moving **Toward Others.** other Christians in our church? (Or am I only consuming?)

#### **Word Find in the Word**

Find the words from a passage related to this week's message.

#### Word Find: Isaiah 43:1-4 (ESV)

| Going to those

Far from God.

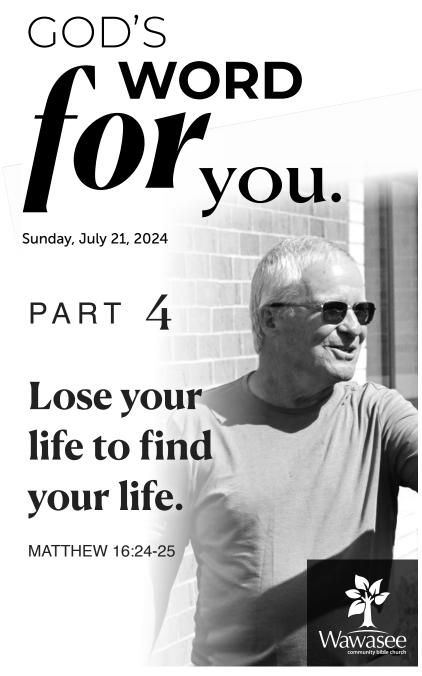
Find the words **bolded** below.

<sup>1</sup> But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by **name**, you are mine. <sup>2</sup> When you **pass** through the **waters**, I will be with your and through the

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