

Living Like Jesus:
The Way to the Cross
March 1, 2026

Mark 8:34-9:1

Key Point: What does it mean to take up your cross and follow Jesus?

From last week's message, what was Jesus' purpose and mission? (Mark 8:27-33)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

In your own words, what does it mean to take up your cross and follow Jesus?

In the first century, what was the main purpose of the cross? _____

Why do you think Jesus used the image of the cross to explain the cost of following him?

Here are four ways to take up our cross and pay the cost for following Jesus:

1. Self-Denial — Surrendering Control

Question: Where in your life are you still insisting on having your own way instead of Christ?

2. Daily Dying — Dying to Sin and Pride

Question: What habits or attitudes need to be crucified in my life?

3. Willingly Suffer

Question: Are you willing to follow Christ even when it costs you – Mark 9:1?

4. Obedience

Question. Are you dying to self?