## "Losing is Winning: The Call of Discipleship"

**THE KING & I** • pt. 79 Matthew 16:24-28

## INTRODUCTION

- What is of greatest value?
- For what will you exchange your life?
- 1. Willing to give up my life (16:24-26)
  - a. necessary requirements for discipleship...

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≠ a life of asceticism

- = a repudiation of self-reliance Mt. 5:3
- - ≠ pains, problems, handicaps, diseases
  - = willing to pay any price for Jesus' sake 1 Pet. 4:12-14; Phil. 3:7-12 Mt. 13:20-21

1 Pet. 1:1-2; 1 Jn. 2:5-6; Jn. 12:26 Jer. 32

b. a choice to be made...

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- 2. Promised to share in His glory (16:27-28)
  - "glory"

    Mt. 24:29-30
  - "what he has done"

    Mt. 7:20
  - "coming in His kingdom"

## **CONCLUSION**

the certainty of Christ's return demands...

- an \_\_\_\_\_ to communicate a \_\_\_\_ to those around us who are apart from Christ.
- a \_\_\_\_\_ of us as we wait for the fullness and totality of God's nature and character to be revealed in King Jesus.