

The Cross In My Daily Life

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[0:00] The 23rd of February. The cross in my daily life. Jesus said, whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

Luke chapter 14 verse 27. These words seem very hard, don't you think? The Apostle Paul tells us what people thought about the cross of Christ in his day.

It was an object of contempt associated with scandal and an object of foolishness. 1 Corinthians 1.23. So if we were each to follow Christ, we know what to expect.

There is a cost in following Christ. Part of the cost in following Jesus is death to all our pride. As we carry our cross, we are reminded that we owe all our salvation to Jesus who died on the cross for us.

Another part of the cross is that it forces us to order our life's priorities in a God-honouring way. This world is not our real home, so we have to have a right attitude to money, success and stuff.

[1:10] Our relationships and lifestyle are also to reflect our cross-bearing. We must live and behave every day as a Christian should. A well-known Christian of past years, Thomas Kempis, speaking about God, wrote, And a prayer.

Dear Lord, help me to daily take up my cross and follow you. Amen.