

Broadway MBC - Tree Of Life Inspirational Word

Mark 8:34-35 ESV

And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. [35] For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it.

<u>The Late Dr. Gardner C. Taylor once said this: "Jesus is still worth our devotion, passion</u> and affection, not only in preaching but also in every area of our life."

As we look at our lives, and as we look at following our Savior there comes those moments within our walk with the Lord, that we all must understand that we have to live a life that is full of sacrifice, obedience, and following the Lord at all costs. We can't follow the Lord without losing what we have, to follow Christ because when the Gospel is the cornerstone of our lives we understand the importance of living for the Lord, and not having barriers around us! The thing for us is..... Is Jesus your cornerstone?

Is Jesus your cornerstone, because when Jesus is your cornerstone we let the Lord direct us, we let the Lord shift us, we let the Lord transform us, and we let the Lord give us the ability to not stay in the same cycle! The Lord is the one that will break cycles in our lives, but in order for cycles to be broken we must deny us and follow Him! We must deny us, because we see and we know, that when we serve the Lord, and when we really follow the Lord we understand what it means to really live a life of service to God!

God is that good to us, and God is that special to us and the Lord has to mean something to us, and should mean much to use for us to really deny ourselves! That is the power of the Lord in our lives, and with that power in our lives we know that we are on the right path because Jesus is our cornerstone! You have to let the Lord be your cornerstone, and because the Lord is our cornerstone, we know that God will keep us, and will never not be with us!

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