(Matthew 10:34-39) Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to turn 'a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law— a man's enemies will be the members of his own household.' Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.

The context of this conversation is
Abraham and Isaac (Genesis 22:1-8)
Whatever relationship we surrender to the Lord is
This invitation to death is why the very first act of obedience required from those who decide to follow Christ is

(Romans 6:4) We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

## Paul's Testimony

(Galatians 2:20) I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me.

(1 Corinthians 15:31 NASB) I die daily...

## 3 Out of 52

What if three out of the fifty-two Sundays of the year, you have one person who needs Christ in a Sunday service with you? Write down three names of people in your sphere of influence who live within driving distance of the church and who needs a relationship with Christ. Use the prayer model on the back of the card provided to pray for them regularly. Then invite them to church with you.

## **Easter Weekend Services**

Saturday April 20 at 6pm Sunday April 21 at 9am and 11am

## **Crosswalk Series**

Wayne Murray

The Cross and Me

March 17, 2019

(Matthew 16:24-25 NIV) Then Jesus told his disciples, 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.'

What does it mean to be a disciple?		
Filter everything through the		
Whatever I	to God is blessed	

(John 12:24) ...Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. There are two times in Matthew when Jesus gives the command to take up the cross.

(Matthew 16:24-25) If anyone desires to come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what <u>profit</u> is it to a man if he <u>gains</u> the whole world, and loses his own soul. Or what will a man <u>give</u> in <u>exchange</u> for his soul?

The context of this conversation is	

(Exodus 20:1-3) God spoke all these words, saying, 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have <u>no other gods before me</u>.'

(Deuteronomy 14:23 TLB) The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in our lives.

God's blessing can	flow into our material po	ssessions if w
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