

# Whoever Desires to Come after Me

Mark 8:34-38

(series #41)

**Intro:** What does it mean to belong to Christ?

- A. the symbol of the cross then and now
- B. the description of salvation as transformation  
- the rich young ruler in Matthew 19:16-24

## **I. The Requirements to Belong to Jesus v. 34**

A. We have to deny ourselves

- 1. Ephesians 5:29
- 2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:1-2

B. We have to die to self

- 1. Matthew 10:38
- 2. Luke 9:23 - "daily"

C. We have to surrender to follow

## **II. The Paradox of Saving and Losing v. 35**

A. Romans 12:1-2

B. Matthew 11:30

C. 1<sup>st</sup> John 5:3

## **III. The Priceless Value of Salvation vv. 36-37**

A. Philippians 3:7-8

B. 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 5:21

## **IV. The Willingness to Stand for Christ v. 38**

**Conclusion:** What's holding you back?