

Wednesday Devotional

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Scripture: Matthew 16: 21 – 28 and then 1 Peter 4

As you read these two separate Scriptures, notice how Peter's view of Jesus had changed. Peter's view of himself had changed as well. We are no different from Peter. Our view of Jesus should have changed and our view of ourselves should have changed when we allowed Jesus into our heart and mind. This devotional is from Rev. Gerald Dunlap

I don't know of any way else to say it, but Peter was indignant. He wasn't interested in hearing about suffering, death, and the cross. Not to his leader. Not to the Messiah.

Now, we are further down the road from that experience. Peter sees things much different. He is now testifying to how great it was that Christ died on the cross. Thanked Him for dying. Praising Him for dying. Now in this passage of scripture he says, all Christians must have this same experience. He says all Christians must come to the cross and die to themselves if they are going to have life at all.

Peter says that the same attitude Jesus had must prevail in the lives of every Christian. Ever so humbly this time, Peter says, everyone of us here must come to that point in our lives where we die to our selfish ambitions, selfish wants, selfish will and our ways. In fact, there is no real life until we do that.