

Covered In Dust-Head: Celebration

Text: Matthew 16:24-28

Purpose: To understand that our identity in Jesus is what motivates us to grow as a disciple.

Opening Question: *What's one characteristic about yourself that you enjoy?*

Read and Discuss: Matthew 16:24-26

1. *What does it mean to you when Jesus says "whoever loses his life will find it in him"?*
2. *What ways do you "deny yourself" in order to follow Jesus?*
3. *What does Jesus mean when He says "try to gain the whole world"? What can be some of the things we strive for that won't give us what Jesus can give?*
4. *How are you motivated by the fact that Jesus will reward us when He returns?*
5. *What does it mean to you that you are a child of God? How does that change your identity? How does that change your purpose in life?*