

## **On The Road To Emmaus**

On the road of this life if we are to follow Jesus we are told *"And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me."* (Matt 10:38 ESV). It is the cross that is given to us by Jesus that we are to pick up and carry.

Sometimes we think that the cross we have been given is too hard to carry. We look at someone else and wish we had their cross instead of ours. Their cross seems to be made of flowers, however, if we were to pick it up we would find that it is filled with thorns under the flowers. We see the cross that shines and sparkles. It is made of gold and yet if we were to pick it up we would find it so heavy that it would crush us. The easiest cross for us to carry is the one that we were given.

The apostle Paul struggled with this: *"So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me."* (2 Cor 12:7-9 ESV)

So when we find the cross that we have been given to be too heavy to carry, call out to Jesus. He will answer. He will give the grace and the strength that is needed to follow Him. Have you called out to Jesus and accepted His answer for you?

## **A Fellow Disciple**