CONDITIONS AND REWARDS FOR JESUS' DISCIPLES

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MATTHEW 10:37-42

Jesus said to his apostles: "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. Whoever receives a **prophet** because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever receives **a righteous man** because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple- amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."



1. UNDERSTAND IT!

"His Apostles"	Jesus choses twelve disciples to be His Apostles. Jesus has many disciples but only 12 Apostles.
"His Cross"	One's pain, struggle, difficulty, and or challenge
"My Sake"	For Jesus.
Receive	Greet or welcome (a visitor).
Prophet	A holy man sent by God to speak to people for God.
A Righteous Man	A right and good man.

2. EXPLORE IT!

Jesus teaches us to love God above everything. He wants us to pick up our cross or our challenges in life and follow Him. Jesus says if we cannot give up our lives to follow Him then we will lose everything but if we lose our lives, give up our things to follow Jesus then we will find our real lives as reward from God the Father.



3. CONNECT IT!

It is hard to give up things to follow Jesus sometimes. For example, we can play video game for hours and it is hard for us to give up game to pray.

4. LIVE IT! [DETACHMENT]

Detachment is to not be attached to people or the materialistic aspects of the world.

For this week, detach yourself from hobbies or activities that do not help you grow closer to God and replace that with time to pray and explore the Bible. List two things you are willing to be detached from.

5. REMEMBER IT!

"Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." (Matthew 10:39)

6. PRAY IT!

Dear God, thank you for making all things new. Thank you for all that You have given us. Help us to let go of the bad habits and to put You first. Help us to make You the center of our lives every single day.

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My child has completed the corresponding virtue for this week _____

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