

Introduction: From the beginning, the winning life was God's _____ for the human race. Even after the Fall of Adam and Eve, the winning life remains God's plan for anyone who would follow Christ.

Today, we'll look at the pathway to the winning life for you and me.

Text: Mark 8:34-36

A. God's Prescription for Staying alive in the Garden of Abundance
(Genesis 2:16-17)

B. God's Prerequisites for Staying free in the Promised Land
(Exodus 20:1-17)

C. Christ's Principles for following Him into the Life of Abundance
(Mark 8:34-35; John 10:10)

D. Christ's Perspective for the focus of our Attention (Mark 8:31, 37)

Reflection: Anyone who will stay focused on _____ Christ who died for us, and is coming again for us, is destined to win. The choice is yours.

Read: Mark 8:31.34-38

The heart of Christian discipleship is self-denial and personal cross-bearing, to follow Christ (v. 34).

1. Where does the winning life actually begin for anyone?

2. Pinpoint what we need to deny ourselves as part of carrying our cross to follow Christ and to experience the winning life. Get your answers from the entire sermon last Saturday/Sunday.

3. Share your personal insights for the winning life from Points A-D of the sermon.

4. Self-assessment: What is your personal evaluation of the winning life as it pertains to you? Circle the most correct answer from the answers below:

A+ A B+ B C+ C F

PRAY for God's guidance to help you follow Christ more closely, which is the secret for experiencing the winning life.