

Would You Deny Him or Die for Him?

Luke 22:54-62





Luke 22:33 (NKJV)

33But Peter said to Him, "Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death."

Matthew 26:31-35 (NKJV)

31 Then Jesus said to them, "All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: 'I will strike the Shepherd, And the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' 32 But after I have been raised, I will go before you to Galilee." 33 Peter answered and said to Him, **"Even if all are made to stumble because of You, I will never be made to stumble."** 34 Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you that this night, before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." 35 Peter said to Him, **"Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You!"** And so said all the disciples.



Mark 14:29-31 (NKJV)

Peter said to Him, **"Even if all are made to stumble, yet I will not be."** 30 Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you that today, even this night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times."
31 **But he spoke more vehemently, "If I have to die with You, I will not deny You!" And they all said likewise.**



Mark 14:29-31 (NIV)

Peter declared, "**Even if all fall away, I will not.**" 30 "I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "today--yes, tonight--before the rooster crows twice you yourself will disown me three times." 31 **But Peter insisted emphatically,** "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the others said the same.



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1. The Terms of the Agreement

a) My terms



Matthew 26:35

Peter said to Him, "**Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You!**" And so said all the disciples.

John 13:37

Peter said to Him, "Lord, **why can I not follow You now?** I will lay down my life for Your sake."

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John 13:38 (NKJV)

³⁸Jesus answered him,

"Will you lay down YOUR life for MY sake?"



1. The Terms of the Agreement


b) His terms

*And he said to them all, If any man will
come after me, let him deny himself, and
take up his cross daily, and follow me.*

[Luke 9:23]



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John 13:36 (NKJV)

Jesus said to Simon Peter.... "Where I am going you cannot follow Me NOW, but you shall follow Me AFTERWARD."

John 10:15-17



15As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and **I lay down My life for the sheep.** 16 And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd. 17 Therefore My Father loves Me, because **I lay down My life that I may take it again.**

2 Corinthians 6:16



“I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people”

Matthew 16:18



"Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

Matthew 19:28



"Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Luke 12:32, 22:29-30



32 Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

22:29 And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, 30 that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

2 Timothy 2:12



If we endure, We shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also will deny us.



2. The Test of Affection

Mark 9:49



**"For everyone will be seasoned with fire,
and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt."**

Mark 9:49

The Message



**“Everyone’s going through a refining fire
sooner or later”**

1 Peter 1:7

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“These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold. So when your faith remains strong through many trials, it will bring you much praise and glory and honor on the day when Jesus Christ is revealed to the whole world”.

Philippians 2:13

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**For it is God who works in you both to will
and to do for His good pleasure.**

Forbearance and the ability to endure over the long
haul is a gift of the Holy Spirit.

Galatians 5:22.

Luke 8:13

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Those on the rock are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while, but in the time of testing they fall away.

John 6:66

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**From that time many of His disciples went back
and walked with Him no more.**

Luke 22:31 (NKJV)

And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has
asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat.

Matthew 26:56

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But all this was done that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then **all the disciples forsook Him and fled.**

1 John 2:19

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They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.

Luke 22:32

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But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren."

Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25

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Who *is* he who condemns? *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

²⁵Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

3. The Table of Acknowledgment

A proclamation and
an acknowledgement

1 Corinthians 11:26 (NKJV)

For as often as you eat this bread
and drink this cup, you proclaim the
Lord's death till He comes.



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3. The Table of Acknowledgment

A proclamation and
an acknowledgement

John 6:54 (NKJV)

Whoever eats My flesh and drinks
My blood has **eternal life**, and I will
raise him up at the last day.



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3. The Table of Acknowledgment

A proclamation and
an acknowledgement

Philippians 1:6 (NKJV)

being confident of this very thing,
that He who has begun a good work
in you will complete *it* until the day
of Jesus Christ;



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Matthew 10:32 (HCSB)

“Therefore, everyone who will acknowledge Me before men, I will also acknowledge him before My Father in heaven.

Luke 12:8 (NRSV)

"And I tell you, everyone who acknowledges me before others, the Son of Man also will acknowledge before the angels of God;

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Acts 15:8 (NKJV)

So God, who knows the heart, acknowledged them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as He did to us,

Romans 1:28 (HCSB)

And because they did not think it worthwhile to acknowledge God, God delivered them over to a worthless mind to do what is morally wrong.

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Philippians 2:10-11 (NJB)

¹⁰so that *all beings* in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, *should bend the knee* at the name of Jesus ¹¹ and that *every tongue should acknowledge* Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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“Do this in remembrance
of Me!”

Jesus



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