

Wheelersburg Baptist Church 1/10/2021
Matthew 16:21-28 “Embracing the Cross in 2021”

I. The _____ of the cross (21)

- A. Jesus had to _____.
- B. Jesus had to be raised to _____.

II. The _____ of the cross (22-23)

- A. To _____, the cross is offensive (22).
- B. To _____, the cross is the only way (23).

III. The _____ of the cross (24-28)

- A. Here’s _____ you must do (24).
 - 1. You must _____ yourself.
 - 2. You must take up your _____.
 - 3. You must follow _____.
- B. Here’s _____ (25-26).
 - 1. It’s the _____ way to really live (25).
 - 2. It’s your _____ that is at stake (26).
- C. Here’s what you can _____ (27-28).
 - 1. He is _____ again (27a).
 - 2. He is going to give _____ (27b).
 - 3. He already gave some a _____ (28).

Make It Personal: Three challenges for 2021...

- 1. Embrace the cross of _____.
- 2. Embrace your own _____.
- 3. Invite _____ to join you.