

If any man will come after me, let him  
DENY himself

Matthew 16:24

Experiences of the Holy Spirit are obtained through *self-denial* and sacrificing your own will.

**When you deny yourself God will sustain  
you supernaturally and comfort you with  
His presence**

***Self-denial is the key that unlocks holiness  
before God***

***Sanctification involves to a great degree  
self-denial***

***Holiness breaks through when you spend  
time with God***

A journey taken with the Lord can only proceed forward with vessels that have been purged. All others must of necessity take the wide gate.

***Self-denial detaches unclean spirits***



To approach God you must be Holy  
otherwise a strange fire is burning in your  
oven.

***God requires holiness.***

*Holiness is that pearl of great price*

**Turning is a level of holiness you must  
pursue at all costs with all your strength**

*You experience a degree of holiness  
through self-denial*

God will grant you Grace to carry your  
cross faithfully

**When you deny yourself it strengthens  
your spirit in Christ**

*Fasting weakens your self-will and your  
body but yet strengthens your spirit*



***Your faith walk is directly proportional to  
self denial of fleshly things***

*A greater experience of the Holy Spirit is  
obtained through self-denial and sacrifice  
of your own will*

*A man must develop endurance to live by  
faith*

*He must of necessity run with endurance  
and contend for the faith that belongs to  
the saints*

*He must lay aside every encumbrance that would hinder the development of his faith*

*He must enter the race with a resolve to  
win the prize (the crown of life)*

***A man without discipline cannot enter that  
race.***

*Though many do enter the race only one  
receives the victors crown*



*A man must strive for mastery over his  
body and bring it into subjection to the  
Lordship of Jesus Christ*

*Sacrifice* is **REQUIRED** in the race of  
**FAITH!**

***Sacrifice builds endurance***

***Endurance enables a man to continue***

***Continuing allows a man to overcome***

**Overcoming allows a man to win the victors  
crown**

*A man must exert self control over his will  
so that he can buffet his body and bring it  
into obedience to Jesus Christ*

It is **REQUIRED** that a man have self control,  
perseverance, and godliness.



***Be not carried about with divers and strange  
doctrines***

*It is a good thing that the heart be  
established with grace*

Run that race in such a way as to win the prize!

***closing***