

MY WAY OR GOD'S WAY?

The Life of Peter: From Fisherman to Follower of Jesus — Study # 6
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Introduction

Philosophy of the world: _____ way is better than _____ way!

1. This idea is at the root of all the problems in _____ . (Genesis 3:1-7)
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Text: Matthew 16:21-28

1. Peter's Example (16:21-23)

Peter "the rock" had become a "stumbling block" because he promoted _____ way rather than _____ way.

2. The Root Problem: A Wrong Mindset (16:23)

It is easy to fall into this trap:

- God's way is sometimes hard to _____ . (Isaiah 55:8-9)
- God's way is often hard to _____ .

3. The Solution: Choose to Follow Jesus (16:24)

A. Deny yourself

- I will say "No" to _____ and "Yes" to _____ .

B. Take up your cross

- I will follow Jesus no matter what it _____ .

C. Follow Jesus

- I will follow Jesus' _____ . (Matthew 7:24-27)
- I will follow Jesus' _____ . (1 John 2:6; 1 Corinthians 11:1)

4. The Result: Eternal Reward (16:25-27)

Doing things God's way will be _____ !

Practical application:

1. Lord, help me to _____ your will.
2. Lord, help me to _____ to _____ your will. (Romans 7:15-25)
3. Lord, help me to _____ your will, even when I don't _____ to.
4. Lord, help me to do your will, not matter what it _____ .

Two important notes:

- It is an _____ process.
- It is a _____ choice. (Luke 9:23)