## **CRUCIFYING EXCUSES**

And [Jesus] said, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life." Luke 9:22 NIV

Then he said to the crowd, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me." Luke 9:23 NLT

"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me." Galatians 2:20a NIV

Being crucified with Christ and following Jesus requires...

Sacrifice 1)

As they were walking along, someone said to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go." But Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens to live in, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place even to lay his head." Luke 9:57-58 NLT

2) Urgency

He said to another person, "Come, follow me." The man agreed, but he said, "Lord, first let me return home and bury my father." But Jesus told him, "Let the spiritually dead bury their own dead! Your duty is to go and preach about the Kingdom of God." Luke 9:59-60 NLT

3) Living

Another said, "Yes, Lord, I will follow you, but first let me say good-bye to my family." But Jesus told him, "Anyone who puts a hand to the plow and then looks back is not fit for the Kingdom of God." Luke 9:61-62 NLT

"Is there anything I'd be unwilling to give up if God asked me to?" **Charles Stanley**  Sermon Notes

### I want to know more about...

□ Joining the Church □ Joining a Life Group □ Baptism/Salvation □ Children's Ministries (K-5th) □ Student Ministries (6th-12th) □ Ways I can serve

### **Prayer Requests**

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# Children's Plates (Ages 10 & younger) - \$5

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Pastor Craig Carter | March 27, 2022

# Welcome to Lynn Haven United Methodist! We're glad you're here!

**<u>Church Council Meeting</u>**: There will be a Church Council meeting at 7 pm on Wednesday, March 30, in the Community Room.

**Confirmation Sunday is April 3:** Next Sunday during the 10 am service we will celebrate the Confirmation of numerous young people into the family of Lynn Haven UMC! These middle school students have been attending Confirmation classes since mid February. We are so proud of their active participation during classes and for their decision to become professing members of our church. As a congregation, each one of us is commended to love and care for these young people and do all in our power to increase their faith. Please join us in praying for this group of students leading up to and after their Confirmation.

**Prayer Service - Everyone is Welcome!** On Wednesday, April 6, please join us in the Community Room at 6 pm for a special night of prayer in advance of Holy Week and Easter. This prayer service will include directed prayer, individual and group prayer, songs of praise and worship, and intercession for our church, community, and world. During this service we will especially pray for our Holy Week and Easter services. The current Bible study, Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts, will conclude this Wednesday, March 30.

**Calling All Rising 6th Graders!** Our Children's Ministry is planning a special overnight retreat, June 13-14, for rising 6th graders. This retreat will take place at Wild Adventures in Valdosta, GA. All rising 6th graders who attended AWANA or Kids Church (at least 3 times) are invited! Parents are invited to attend as chaperones. Please visit **mylhumc.net/kids** for more details and registration information.