The Cost of Discipleship - Part 3

Leader's Guide

- 1. In Luke 9:23, Jesus says that a disciple must "deny" himself. What does this mean? (It means you say no to yourself, turn from selfish ways, and choose to do what God wants.)
- 2. What are some things a disciple of Jesus must say NO to? (A disciple says NO to evil, ugliness, self-rule, and being the boss.)
- 3. Is it hard for you to say NO to yourself? Why or why not? (Answers will vary. Most people find it very hard! We are stubborn and selfish. We want our own way!)
- 4. In Luke 9:23, Jesus said that a disciple must "take up his cross daily". What does this mean? (You make a daily decision to "die" to the old you. You put to death lust, lying, hatred, greed, pride, swearing, etc.)
- 5. What happened to the old "you" when Jesus died on the cross?

 See Romans 6:6-11. (The old selfish me died with Jesus. It's dead! I am now dead to the power of sin. I can still choose to sin, but I have power over it if I choose.)
- 6. What is the third command that Jesus gave in Luke 9:23? ("Follow me.")
- 7. What does this command mean? (It means to model your life after Jesus. Imitate him! Live a life of love, service, kindness, and obedience.)
- 8. According to the video, what are the positive results of dying to self? (You will have peace, JOY, life, and many rewards and blessings.)