I Surrender

(Part 1)

"Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." Matthew 16:24

The DNA of a Disciple

1. THE <u>CALL</u> TO BE A DISCIPLE.

"Whoever wants to be my disciple..."

Luke 9:23 "And he said to them all, 'If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.""

Everyone is called to be a disciple: a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ!

1 Peter 2:9-10 "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

The call to discipleship does not require special talents, abilities, or status.

1 Corinthians 1:26-27 "Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong."

Following Jesus is a choice you make.

Joshua 24:15 "But if you refuse to serve the Lord, then choose today whom you will serve. But as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord."