



# Radical Discipleship

Part of the Radical Dependence Series





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**The Command: (verse 34)**  
**Take Up Your Cross & Deny Yourself**

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**Reason 1 : In Taking Up Your Cross,  
You Show You are Saved (vs 35)**

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A grayscale background image showing several hands of different skin tones holding a thick rope. The hands are positioned in a way that suggests they are pulling or supporting the rope together. The image is slightly faded to allow the text to be the primary focus.

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**Reason 2: You Can't Have It Both Ways (vs 36)**

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**Reason 3: Reason 3: Nothing in this world can  
purchase your soul from hell (vs 37)**

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**Reason 4: If you want the approval of the world,  
then you won't get the approval of Jesus (vs 38)**

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