

# Ash Wednesday 2025

## *Pick up your cross*

Scripture: Mark 8:34-38

**Big Question:** What does it mean to pick up our cross and follow Jesus?

**Big Idea:** *Following Jesus means **trusting in Jesus' provision** and **following Jesus' path**.*

**Introduction:** *Essential Questions*

**What does it mean to pick up your cross and follow Jesus?**

- Pick up your cross... trust in Jesus' **provision for salvation**
- Pick up your cross... follow Jesus' **path for your life**.

**Applications:** How do I take possession of this message and live it out in my life?

- Relinquish the work of salvation to Jesus
- Release the worldly sins you still cling to Jesus
- Revel in the wonderful grace of Jesus

*What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?*

**Mark 8:36**