

# How Jesus Dealt with Adversity: Sacrifice

## Luke 9:21-27

- Jesus had a mission to fulfill, no matter the cost. His focus was the need for people to experience forgiveness and freedom.
- Keeping our focus on the mission, takes our focus off ourselves and the adversity we face.

## What is not Sacrifice

### Mark 12:41-44

- We have little concept of hardship
- It isn't sacrifice when you give it to the church because you bought a new one
- It isn't sacrifice when you had nothing better to do that day

## Sacrifice is an Act of Worship

### Romans 12:1

- We were created to worship
- Nothing gives us greater satisfaction and joy
- We may feel at this time that we are not allowed to worship
- Maybe we need a new way to worship
- We want worship to give us a feeling
  - sacrifice gives us more
  - sacrifice results in assurance

## Sacrifice brings Freedom and Peace

### Galatians 6:17

Paul considered the beatings, imprisonment, ridicule the “marks of Christ”

- A slave was marked by their master, this means you belong to them
- This also means you don't belong to another
- Peace is knowing that your Master loves you and will care for you

Please be safe to yourself and others, but don't let the worlds response to this pandemic, cause you to forget that you belong to Christ, that he loves you and he is the one who keeps you.