

# ACCOUNTABLE TO YOUR CALLING

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**Matthew 16:24: (NKJV) THEN JESUS SAID UNTO HIS DISCIPLES, IF ANY MAN DESIRES TO WILL COME AFTER ME, LET HIM DENY HIMSELF, AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME.**

**YOU ARE ACCOUNTABLE TO GOD! - BUT HOW DOES THAT FLOW DOWN?**

**Accountable** defined - Obligated to account for one's acts; responsible. Capable of being accounted for; explainable - SYN. Responsible

**1. Available** defined - That one can avail oneself of; that can be used; to be of use, help, worth, advantage. I want you to think to yourself, am I available to God? Am I of any help, use? Can He call on me, or give me a task and I can be counted on to complete? What is my availability? Know that when the Lord calls you for something there are (3) things that I want you to know about Him, He will:

- a. Equip you –
- b. Be with you -
- c. Guide you -

**2. Reliable** defined - Can be counted upon to do what is expected or required. Can you be counted upon TO TAKE UP YOUR CROSS? Availability in and of itself isn't enough. If you are going to come after Jesus, the scripture says that you have to deny yourself. Can Jesus count on you to deny yourself? (3) Things we need to see here:

- a. IT'S NOT ABOUT US, BUT ABOUT CHRIST-
- b. CAN YOU BE TRUSTED TO ENGAGE THE SITUATION WITH SCRIPTURE?
- c. JESUS TRUSTS US TO GIVE GODLY COUNSEL/ADVICE

**3. Pliable** defined - Easily bent or molded; flexible, adaptable.

- a. Be submissive to the leader and their vision.
- b. Make sure that the leader is following Christ
- c. Pray for them
- d. Be adaptable to change-

In closing, if you (WILL COME) and make yourself **available**, and (DENY YOURSELF AND TAKE UP YOUR CROSS), and can be **relied** upon, and (FOLLOW JESUS) being **pliable**, you will find yourself being accountable to God.