

## LIVING AN AUTHENTIC LIFE

**Unashamed Follower**  
**Luke 9.23-26**

1. Are you a wallflower or social butterfly? Which do you think makes for a more authentic disciple?
2. Have you ever been ashamed of a friend or family member? What caused those feelings?
3. According to this passage what activities or attitudes are key to following Jesus?
4. What does taking up your cross look like in our world today?
5. How has your relationship with Jesus affected your lifestyle? Relationships? Priorities? Politics?
6. How would you explain the paradox of v24 to an unbelieving friend? What does it look like to lose yourself for Jesus' sake?
7. Warren Weirsbe said *If a person owned the whole world, he would still be too poor to buy back a lost life*. What is this saying in the context of v25?
8. Have you ever been ashamed of your faith, when you were afraid to speak up? What caused it?
9. Where does Jesus' way conflict with your way? What do you stand to lose by following Jesus? What do you stand to gain?
10. Now that we have studied this passage together, answer Question 3 again.
11. Pray for each other to have one opportunity this week to publicly identify with Jesus.