

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary. ~ Galatians 6:7-9 (NASB 1995)

Discipleship begins at the cross and ends before the throne.

WAIKOLOA TODAY IN WORSHIP ~ NOVEMBER 2, 2025
COMMUNITY CHURCH E KOMO MAI! ~ WELCOME!

We hope you experience God's wonderful aloha today!

Restrooms are located in our Multi-Purpose Building across the courtyard, on the right side of the building. **Aloha Riders Kids Church** for toddlers through 5th grade takes place at the same time in our Multi-Purpose Building.

❖ WHAT TO EXPECT IN WORSHIP

- † Welcome & Opening Worship Set (*Traditional & Modern Songs*)
- Meet & Greet and Announcements
- Life Application Message
- Communion
- † Closing Song
- † Blessing/Benediction

(Please place Offering & Connection Cards in the Yay God Boxes in the lobby)

† *Please stand if you are able.*

❖ take the PLUNGE!

Let's go deeper. Weekly discussion questions about the message are available in English at WaikoloaCC.org/messages/

❖ SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WORSHIP EXPERIENCES: Sundays

- Common Grounds - 9:15am - WCC Courtyard
- Adult Worship Experience - 9:30am - Worship Center & Online Live
- Aloha Riders Kids Church - 9:30am - Multi-Purpose Building
- Common Grounds - 10:45am - WCC Courtyard

ALOHA GROUPS: WCC Small Groups

See the church website, WaikoloaCC.org or contact the Church Office for days, times and locations.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays - 7pm - @ Hovde's

BIBLE STUDY: Thursdays ~ 9am - co-ed, in the Worship Center

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday - Friday ~ 9am - 1pm and by appointment



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Loving God! ~ Loving People! ~ catch The wave!



❖ MESSAGE NOTES

JUST JESUS: A Journey Through Mark ~ Part 29

And He summoned the crowd with His disciples, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. ~ Mark 8:34 (NASB 1995)

PROSKALESAMENOS - GREEK ~ having called to Himself

Discipleship is not a special class of Christianity; it IS Christianity.

THELEI OPI SO MOU ELTHEIN - GREEK ~ literally means if anyone desires to come behind Me

The call to discipleship begins with surrendering the lead position.

3 IMPERATIVES THAT DEFINE REAL DISCIPLESHIP

- 1) **APARNESASTHO - GREEK** ~ let him utterly disown himself
- 2) **ARATO TON STAVRON AUTOU - GREEK** ~ take up or carry his cross
- 3) **AKOLOURTHEITO MOI - GREEK** ~ follow Me

Following Jesus isn't a one-time conversion moment decision. It's not responding to an altar call one time. It's a daily decision. Step by step, moment by moment, every day, right behind Him.

The path of the Messiah becomes the pattern for the disciple. We need to daily pick up our cross and be prepared to die as well.

For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. ~ Mark 8:35 (NASB 1995)

PSYCHE - GREEK ~ doesn't just mean physical life, but soul, self, identity, the very essence of who you are

If this life is all you have, then you have nothing.

THELEI SOSAI - GREEK ~ wishes to save: this conveys intention or desire

APOLOSEI - GREEK ~ will lose it, "to destroy, to cause ruin"

But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, ~ Philippians 3:7-8 (NASB 1995)

The Author of Life says the cross is not a detour from life; it's the doorway into it.

For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul? ~ Mark 8:36 (NASB 1995)

Jesus is asserting that one human soul outweighs the rest of the entire created order of the universe.

**Your soul is of infinite worth to God.
Jesus chose to die to save and protect your eternal soul.**

KOSMON HOLON - GREEK ~ the whole world

For what will a man give in exchange for his soul? ~ Mark 8:37 (NASB 1995)

DOSEI ANTALLAGMA - GREEK ~ will give in exchange

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. ~ Romans 6:23 (NASB 1995)

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many. ~ Mark 10:45 (NASB 1995)

Lay down what you cannot keep anyway and receive what you cannot lose. In Jesus' economy, surrender isn't the cost of life; it's the way true life is found.

For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." ~ Mark 8:38 (NASB 1995)

EPISCHYNETHE - GREEK ~to be ashamed, to shrink back, to refuse to stand as a character witness