

Living by the Cross and by Faith.

by Francois Fenelon

To live by the cross and by faith means to accept that everything in life is a challenge or a burden that must be borne with peace, trusting in God's secret compassion.

Scripture: Matthew 16:24, Romans 8:18, 2 Corinthians 12:9, Galatians 2:20, Hebrews 11:1

Topics: "Faith And Suffering", "The Cross"

Description

Francois Fenelon preaches about living by the cross and by faith, emphasizing that everything in life is a cross to bear, often filled with bitterness and challenges that must be faced with peace. He encourages trusting in God to spare us from unnecessary suffering, as He knows our needs and provides unseen support amidst our trials. Fenelon highlights the paradox of living a life of faith, which he describes as the most profound form of death.

Transcript

LETTER XII.

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Everything is a cross; I have no joy but bitterness; but the heaviest cross must be borne in peace. At times it can neither be borne nor dragged; we can only fall down beneath it, overwhelmed and exhausted. I pray that God may spare you as much as possible in apportioning your suffering; it is our daily bread; God alone knows how much we need; and we must live in faith upon the means of death, confident, though we see it not, that God, with secret compassion, proportions our trials to the unperceived succor that He administers within. This life of faith is the most penetrating of all deaths.

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