**Weekly Reading Notes** **13-03-2022**

**Scripture:** Matthew 16:21-28

**Observation:**
*(e.g. What sticks out to you? What do you think is the main point? What do you learn about God? What do you learn about people? Do you have any questions?)*

**Application:**
*(e.g. Sin to confess? Promise to claim? Attitude to change? Command to obey? Example to follow? Prayer to pray? Error to avoid? Truth to believe? Something to praise God for?)*

**Prayer:**

**Extra Readings**

*You can use the following to further reflect on the passage / sermon.*

* ***Matthew 4:1-11***

*In what ways does Satan try to divert Jesus from the cross? How is the rebuke from Peter in Matthew 16 related to this idea? Can you think of others instances in the Bible where this theme reoccurs?*

* ***Psalm 22***

*What pictures describe the suffering and death of God’s faithful servant? How does Jesus’ crucifixion connect to this Psalm? Is it hard for you to conceive of committed believers undergoing torment in this life? How do you think you’d stand against such personal onslaughts?*

* ***Matthew 8:18-22; 10:37-39***

*What do these passages teach about the cost of discipleship? Are there areas of your life in which you find it difficult to let go of?*