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Become a Dead Man on Furlough!

A. The Way of Self

* The Way of Self is the World’s way
* It is to Pamper and Indulge yourself
* Have it Your way; What’s in it for Me?

B. The Way of the Cross

* What is the Cross? Misconceptions
* For many people, the cross is a beautiful piece of Jewelry
* For others, it is the Trials and Burdens of life
* What is the Cross in Luke 9? Death!
* To carry one’s cross was to proceed to the place of Execution
* To Shame and Demoralize prisoners and Frighten spectators
* You are not waiting on Death Row; you are Already dead!

C. The Way of Death

* It is easy to “Try Jesus” and then go on with life as Usual
* Instead, you must realize you are Right Now dead man on furlough
* Lay All your life down at feet of Jesus Christ; Complete Surrender!
* This is Foolishness to the world; Utter Nonsense
* Logic: If you give your life Away, then you have Lost it
* In order to Save your life, you must Hold Onto it
* Jesus turns the World’s Way Upside Down
* To try to Save your life is to Lose it
* But when you Give it away, you will Find it
* Jim Elliott: “He is no Fool who gives up what he cannot Keep to gain what he cannot Lose”

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