



# Daily Reflections

**August 10, 2016**

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## Scripture

### **John 12:24-26**

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Amen, amen, I say to you,  
unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies,  
it remains just a grain of wheat;  
but if it dies, it produces much fruit.

Whoever loves his life loses it,  
and whoever hates his life in this world  
will preserve it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow me,  
and where I am, there also will my servant be.

The Father will honor whoever serves me.”

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## Our Scripture Reflection

Using imagery from the world of farming, Jesus describes His destiny. As a seed must die and be transformed into a new plant, so, too, must Jesus die

so as to be "glorified". If we are to experience His glory, we must first "die" to our old self in order to become a new person in this life, and most especially, in the life that lasts forever. No cross, no crown.

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## **Food for your Journey**

The things, good Lord, that I pray for, give me your grace to labor for.

--Thomas More, 16th-century English martyr

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## **Prayer from the Heart**

Dear Jesus, please give me the Grace to die to my old way of selfishness so that I may rise as a new person who focuses on You and Your people. Amen.