

“WHAT’S THE COST?”

Luke 14:25-35 - Pastor Mike Medeiros

Moving from _____ to _____ of Jesus.

Three Costs of Discipleship

1.

This challenges our _____ to _____

2.

This challenges our _____ to _____

3.

This challenges our _____ to _____

What if someone doesn't adhere to Jesus demands?

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Gospel Paradox

What does it cost me to follow Jesus?

TAKE HOME TRUTH

Jesus demands _____

from his _____.

Today's Core Practice:

Giving Away My Life: I give away my life to fulfill God's purposes (*from Romans 12:1; Matt. 28:19-20*)

Today's Actions:

1. Memorize Galatians 2:20
2. Complete today's Deeper Connection Study



Deeper Connection

What is the cost of discipleship? In other words, how hard or easy is it to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? Huge crowds chase after Jesus and listen to his preaching, but are they really followers? Jesus makes it very clear what he demands from those who wish to follow him.

Today's Core Practice discussed: Giving Away My Life.

Read Luke 14:25-35

1. What three conditions of discipleship does Jesus require (vv. 26, 27, 33; cf. Matt. 10:37-38; Mark 10:38; Luke 9:23-26)? Why are these things essential to Jesus?
2. What has it cost you to follow Jesus? Is it worth it? Why or why not?
3. How do Jesus' demands of discipleship reveal his authority over the lives of his disciples? Why is it important to understand his character and deeds when assessing the conditions for being his disciple?
4. Why does Jesus mention salt and how is it applicable to his discourse on being his disciple (vv. 34-35; cf. Matt. 5:13)?
5. How can following Christ adversely affect relationships? In what ways has this happened to you?
6. What things or people are keeping you from total devotion to Christ? How can you more fully give your life to Jesus (cf. Rom. 12:1-2)?

PRAYER TO THE POINT: Praise God for the grace, mercy, and love he shows to you. Pray for an undivided heart that fully follows Jesus in all circumstances. Ask God to help you be a good witness of Christ in all your relationships.

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Guidelines for Godly Living

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When you hear about guidelines for something, do you immediately think of lists of things to do that you can dutifully check off as they are completed? With this in mind, it is easy to think of the Bible merely as a manual or a book of guidelines of what we are supposed to do. Yes, action is important and God does call us to do things in obedience to his will. Yet we often forget that attitudes are behind those actions and that *doing* flows from *being*. What really concerns Jesus is the heart.

A lot of people are interested in Jesus and huge crowds chase after him to see a miracle performed or hear him preach, but are they *really* followers? As we see in Luke 14:25-35, Jesus makes it very clear what he demands from those who wish to follow him. You might be shocked to hear that Jesus has demands - these are conditions for a person to become a follower (a disciple) of Jesus. Guidelines for godly living begin with a person becoming a disciple of Jesus - only then can they truly live for the Lord and do his will.