

Set Apart For Discipleship

Luke 14:25-35

1. Commit To Christ (25-26)

25 Now many crowds were going along with Him, and He turned and said to them, 26 "If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple. (LSB)

2. Carry The Cross (27; cf. Gal 2:20; 1 Pet 4:19)

27 Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.

3. Calculate The Cost (28-30)

28 For which one of you, when he wants to build a tower, does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if he has enough to complete it? 29 Lest, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who observe it begin to ridicule him, 30 saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.'

31 Or what king, when he sets out to meet another king in battle, will not first sit down and consider whether he is strong enough with ten thousand *men* to encounter the one coming against him with twenty thousand? 32 Or else, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace.

4. Concede Your Contents

33 So then, none of you can be My disciple who does not give up all his own possessions.

5. Counter The Culture (34-35)

34 "Therefore, salt is good, but if even salt has become tasteless, with what will it be seasoned? 35 It is useless either for the soil or for the manure pile; it is thrown out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

- Salt Creates A Thirst For God
- Salt Preserves A Corrupted Society
- Salt Adds Taste In A Society Bland With Futility (Job 6:6)
- Salt Must Maintain Flavor Throu Purity
- Salt Penetrates Society

Conclusion:

- Commit to Christ supremely
- Be willing to suffer
- Know it will be costly
- Don't let possessions weigh you down
- Change culture