

## Jesus Teaches the Cost of Discipleship

### Luke 14:25-35

With a great multitude following Him, Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ and told them something so important He finished with, “He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.” Though salvation is a free gift, following Jesus and being His servant has a \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid here on earth. When we are unwilling to pay this price and live in disobedience, we become a \_\_\_\_\_ disciple.

### What is a Disciple!!!?

Is every Christian a Disciple?

#### I. The Setting

“And there went \_\_\_\_\_ multitudes with him: and he turned (Lit. - \_\_\_\_\_), and said unto them,” Luke 14:25

“great multitudes” –

“turned” –

#### II. The Cost of Discipleship

##### 1. The Choice of \_\_\_\_\_ v. 26

“If any man come \_\_\_\_\_ me, and \_\_\_\_\_ not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethern, and sisters, yea, and his \_\_\_\_\_ also, he cannot be my \_\_\_\_\_.”  
Luke 14:26

“hate not” –

“father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethern, and sisters” –

“own life” –

*“If any man come to me, and hate not....” → “he cannot be my disciple.”*

## 2. A \_\_\_\_\_ to be Borne

**“And whosoever doth not bear \_\_\_\_\_ cross, and come \_\_\_\_\_ me, cannot be my \_\_\_\_\_.”  
Luke 14:27**

“bear his cross” –

“come after me” –

*“whosoever doth not bear his cross” → “come after me” → “cannot be my disciple”*

## 3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of All

### ➤ Cost of Building

**“For which of you, intending to build a tower (Lit - \_\_\_\_\_), sitteth not down, first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? <sup>29</sup>Let haply (Lit. - \_\_\_\_\_), after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to \_\_\_\_\_ him, <sup>30</sup>Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.” Luke 14:28-32**

### ➤ Cost of Battle

**“Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with \_\_\_\_\_ thousand to meet him that cometh against him with \_\_\_\_\_ thousand? <sup>32</sup>Or else, which the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage (Lit. - \_\_\_\_\_), and desireth conditions of peace.” Luke 14:31-32**

“So \_\_\_\_\_, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh (Lit. - \_\_\_\_\_) not \_\_\_\_\_ that he hath, he cannot be my \_\_\_\_\_.” Luke 14:33

*“whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all” → “cannot be my disciple”*

## **V. The Consequences of the Decision**

“Salt is \_\_\_\_\_: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be seasoned? <sup>35</sup>It is neither fit for the \_\_\_\_\_, not yet for the dunghill (Lit. - \_\_\_\_\_); but men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.” Luke 14:34-35

Salt at the time of Christ –

### **Decision to Give all:**

“salt is good” –

### **Decision to Withhold:**

“salt have lost his savor” –

- “neither fit for the land” –
- “not yet for the dunghill” –
- “men cast it out” –

### **Carefully Consider:**

“He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.”

## **Believers' Application:**

1. Is every Christian a disciple?

2. This isn't the first time Jesus gave "want-to-be" disciples a message about making Him the priority of their lives. Let's walk through other passages where Jesus taught this, and how some responded to this call to discipleship!

Luke 16:13 –

John 12:25 –

Mark 8:34 –

Matthew 4:18-22 in contrast with Luke 18:18-23 –

Galatians 2:20; 6:14 –