

LEARNING WITH LUKE 14:25-34 “**TIME TO COUNT THE COST**” p.1039

Luke 14:25-34 “he cannot be My disciple... if he does not hate his family and himself...if he does not bear his own cross and come after me...if he does not count the cost...if he does not renounce all that he has...”

The path of truly following Jesus involves division and personal sacrifice, & you will be examined. -J McDurmon

1- DENY YOURSELF - follow

Luke 14:25-26 - hate
Luke 12:49-46 - division
Luke 16:13 - either or
John 12:25-26 - lose

*Some spend more time in one day shuttling children, than in a month praying for their souls. -RK Hughes
Even if painful, a true Christian must be willing to offend his family, rather than offend Christ. -JC Ryle*

2- CARRY YOUR CROSS - daily

Luke 14:27 - follow
Luke 9:22-25, 59-62 - life
Mt 10:16-39, 16:24, Mk 8:34-35

Discipleship is series of deaths, perpetual dying, following Him on a path of self-denial & suffering. -RK Hughes

3- COUNT THE COST - carefully

Luke 14:28-30 - build
Luke 14:31-32 - battle
Luke 8:11-15, 21:12-19 - endure

To follow Jesus will cost you your sins, your self-righteousness, your ease, and your worldliness... Are you truly converted? Don't be self-deceived. Feelings are not faith. Convictions are not grace... Let us follow Christ seriously, with due consideration of the step we take, praying for grace that we may persevere. -JC Ryle

4- RENOUNCE ALL - or else

Luke 14:33 - any one
Luke 5:11,27 - leave all
Matt 6:21,33, Luke 12:31 - first
Lk 10:1-9, 18:18-30, Mt 19:16-30, Mk 10:17-31
Luke 9:25, Matt 16:24-28 - profit

*Jesus says, every one of you who does not say goodbye to all he has cannot be a disciple of Mine. - J Fitzmeyer
Where your treasure is, your heart will be. Does Jesus have your treasure? If so, He has your heart. -RK Hughes*

5- BE THE SALT - hear & heed

Luke 14:34 - be good
Matt 5:13, Mark 9:50 - salt
Lk 8:19-21, MK 3:31-35 - do
Philippians 2:1-11 - humbled
Philippians 2:12-16 - trust & obey
Philippians 3:4-11-21 - press on

We want to make the path to Christ as easy as possible. But living the Christian life means you've given your life away. You're no longer autonomous, you're under the command of the Prince of Glory. -RC Sproul

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2-28 **Luke 14:25-27** - followers
3-01 **Luke 9:22-25, 59-62** - life
3-02 **Luke 14:28-34** - My disciples
3-03 **Lk 8:11-15, 21:12-19** -endure
3-04 **Philippians 2:1-11** -Jesus
3-05 **Philippians 2:12-16** -obedience
3-06 **Philippians 3:4-21** -press on

The Spirit of God works the Word of God so the people of God become like the Son of God

♦ *How will I be transformed, by God's truth, in the Spirit's power, as I trust & obey?*

