



Count The Cost - 11/4/18

OVERVIEW

We've all heard the bait and switch offers that seem too good to be true—no money down, low monthly payments, nothing due until next year. But Jesus doesn't offer cheap grace. He offers something of priceless value. And it comes with a cost. Along with Jesus' invitation to follow, are instructions to lay it all down...security, comfort, control, relationships...everything. When we willingly and fully turn our lives over to God, we get to experience something so much better and deeper than the things of this world that we often stubbornly cling to.

Scripture: Luke 14:25-35

APPLICATION

1. Have you ever been in a bait and switch scenario? What happened?
2. Read Luke 14:25-27. When Jesus says hate your father and mother, children, brothers and sisters...how does that make you feel and why?
3. What is something you feel like Jesus may be asking you to do that if you said yes to, could cause tension between you and your family, a co-worker, or possibly a friend?
4. Thinking back over your life...What is something you feel like Jesus asked you to do that you said no to because the cost was too high?
5. All throughout these passages Jesus talks about counting the cost to follow Him. This is not a one-time thing, but a daily decision we make. What does counting the cost mean for your life currently?

HOMEWORK: The last song we sang was "I Surrender" by Hillsong. Take time to listen to the song this week and ask God if there is anything else that He is asking you to surrender to Him...that needs to be taken to the cross.

