



Signing Your Life Away

Luke 14:25-35

Sermon Study Notes

There is a pecking order in the Kingdom of God.

I. Jesus will give you problems. (14:25-26)

He will cause you problems with your family.

You can tell what you love by what you hate.

He will cause you problems with your freedom.

Jesus never let the crowds control the truth.

Takeaway: Love for Christ overshadows and outshines all other relationships.

II. Jesus will give you pain. (14:27)

Bearing your cross involves personal suffering.

Bearing your cross involves public shame.

Bearing your cross involves painful sacrifice.

Bearing your cross involves pursuing submission.

Bearing your cross involves permanent sufficiency.

Jesus doesn't tell you when, where, or how, because all you need to know is Who.

Takeaway: Life through Christ requires self-sacrifice.

III. Jesus will give you perspective. (14:28-32)

You must count the cost.

You must pursue terms of peace.

You must relinquish your resources.

Takeaway: Loyalty to Christ is the result of assessment and appraisal.

IV. Jesus will give you purpose. (14:34-35)

Don't be a worthless disciple.

Don't be a would-be disciple.

Takeaway: Longevity for Christ is the result of calculation and commitment.

Don't miscalculate the cost of the cross.

Don't miscalculate the cost of following Jesus.

Don't miscalculate the cost of not following Jesus.

Don't miscalculate the value of eternity.