

Lesson 13: The Cost of Discipleship

Luke 14:25–35

CHAPTER 7 / Following Jesus

(Textbook: Page 69)

*“Whoever does not carry his own cross
and come after Me cannot be My disciple.”
(Luke 14:27).*

Commitment

Commitment = love + obedience

*The moment you choose to follow Christ, you are responding with
an initial step of obedience to the imperative to follow Him. (P.70)*

Belief and Obedience are synonymous: John 3:36 (NASB)

He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.

Slaves of Righteousness: Romans 6:16-17; Heb. 5:9; 1 Peter 1:2; 1 Jn. 2:3; 1 Jn. 3:23; 1 Jn. 5:2-3

An Open Commitment: Mk. 8:38; Acts 2:38; Rom. 1:16

A Continual Commitment

*You must follow Jesus in good times and in bad times.
In days of prosperity as well as in seasons of adversity. (P.73)*

An Exclusive Commitment (Read P.74)

John 14:6 (NASB)

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

A Permanent Commitment

Luke 9:62 (NASB)

But Jesus said to him, “No one, after putting his hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.”

2 Peter 2:20–22 (NASB)

²⁰For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world by the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and are overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first.

²¹For it would be better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn away from the holy commandment handed on to them.

²²It has happened to them according to the true proverb, “A dog returns to its own vomit,” and, “A sow, after washing, returns to wallowing in the mire.”