PART 3

"What shall we say about such wonderful things? If God is for us, who can ever be against us? Since He did not spare even His own Son but gave Him up for us, won't He also give us everything else? ... Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean He no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death? ... Despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. Thus, I am convinced that nothing in all creation can ever separate us from God's love."

Romans 8:31-38

SCRIPTURE: Luke 14:25-36

"A large crowd was following Jesus. He turned around to them and said, 'If you want to be My disciple....'" Luke 14:25

"By comparison, hate everyone – father, mother, wife, child, brothers, sisters – yes, even your own life. Otherwise, you cannot be My disciple. And if you do not carry your own cross and follow Me, you cannot be My disciple. So, don't begin until you count the cost." Luke 14:26-28

"For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it? Otherwise, you might complete only the foundation before running out of money, and then everyone would laugh at you. They would say, 'There's the person who started that building and couldn't afford to finish it!' Or what king would go to war against another king without first sitting down with his counselors to discuss whether his army of 10,000 could defeat the 20,000 soldiers marching against him? And if he can't, he will send a delegation to discuss terms of peace while the enemy is still far away. So you cannot become My disciple without giving up everything you own."

Luke 14:28-33

WHAT are Those COSTS?

• Being MARKED – will COST you your PLANS.

• Being MARKED – will COST you your PATTERNS.

"Whoever is a true follower in Christ is a new creation. The old way of living has disappeared. A new way of living has come into existence." 2 Corinthians 5:17

• Being MARKED – will COST you your PLEASURE.

"If you do not carry your own cross and follow Me, you cannot be My disciple." Luke 14:27