



DISCUSSION GUIDE

February 12, 2023



GRACE COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Luke 14:25-35

1. Jesus was talking to a vast crowd that had many unsaved people, non-committed.

-would you talk like this to an unsaved person you were witnessing to? Why or Why Not?

-do you think we should include this kind of talk when witnessing?

2. Do you remember when you "came to Jesus?" Why did you come?

3. Tony used the "apple pie" illustration to describe how our lives should look, be divided - remember?

-is this how you have thought about your life?

-if you do now, describe the different pieces and how Jesus is the dominating flavor and essence of every piece

Here are the two verses that Tony ended the sermon with:

"And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God." (Acts 20:22-24)

"And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death." (Revelation 12:11)

1. How do these texts challenge you?

2. If you were to make these or one of them a/the theme of your life, put them in your words.

SCRIPTURE

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The Cost of Discipleship

25 Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, **26** "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. **27** Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. **28** For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? **29** Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, **30** saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' **31** Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? **32** And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. **33** So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

Salt Without Taste Is Worthless

34 "Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? **35** It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."