



## The High Cost of Disciple-Making

### Mark 8:27-38

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“Cheap grace is the deadly enemy of our Church.” – Dietrich Bonhoeffer in *The Cost of Discipleship*

Bonhoeffer defines cheap grace as “the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, communion without confession, absolution without personal confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate.”

As Christ followers, we must push back on the temptation to stake our lives on “cheap grace.” As we’ll see in our text this morning, following Jesus comes at a high cost, but it is that cost that grants us true life.

### Main Thought...

➔ Following Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ that we die to \_\_\_\_\_ so that we can find true \_\_\_\_\_ in Him.

To follow Jesus, we must:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of who He is (v. 27-30).  
Mt. 16:13-20; Lk. 9:18-21
2. \_\_\_\_\_ the reality of what He has \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 31-33).  
Mt. 16:21-23; Lk. 9:22
3. \_\_\_\_\_ willingly to what He \_\_\_\_\_ of us (v. 34-38).  
Mt. 16:24-28; Lk. 9:23-27

### Final Thoughts...

- ➔ Have you been saved by \_\_\_\_\_, through \_\_\_\_\_, in Jesus?
- ➔ Are you \_\_\_\_\_ the pleasures and comforts of this world, or are you \_\_\_\_\_ to self so that you may live through Him?