

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Title: First Count The Cost

Series: Some Bible "FIRSTS" ... 7

Text: Luke 14:25 - 33

Introduction:

- > Seek First The Kingdom Of God, Matthew 6:25 - 35
- > First Importance, 1 Corinthians 15:3
- > First Commandment, Matthew 22:34 - 40
- > First Be Reconciled, Matthew 5:21 - 26
- > First Love Maintained, Rev. 2:1 - 7
- > First Be A Servant, Mark 9:33 - 37

Crowds: Luke 14:25

G3793 o'khlos : B. a multitude, 1. the common people, as opposed to the rulers and leading men

- > Matthew 21:9, "Hosanna to the Son of David!"
- > Mark 15:13, "Crucify him."
- > Herd mentality, mob mentality and pack mentality, also lesser known as gang mentality, describes how people can be influenced by their peers to adopt certain behaviours on a largely emotional, rather than rational, basis.

Come: Luke 14:26

G2064 e'r-klo -mi, to come

- > Luke 8:43 - 48 - to step out of the crowd and to make a deliberate act to REACH

Cross: Luke 14:27

"Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

- > Colossians 3:9 - 10, *"Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator."*
- > Romans 8:12 - 13, *"So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live."*
- > What in my life do I need to put to death?

Cost: Luke 14:28

G1159 da-pa-na, to tear down, consume

- > what do I value more than my relationship with Jesus Christ?
- > what do I give more time to than my relationship with Jesus Christ?
- > what do I put more effort into than my relationship with Jesus Christ?

Conclusion:

Psalm 27:4, *"One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple."*