

**Bible Study: *Kingdom Disciples: Heaven's Representatives on Earth***

Chapter 4: The Cost of Commitment - Part 1

1. Why is it important to know what it truly means to be a kingdom disciple before you jump in with a deep commitment:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Being a kingdom disciple is a sure way to success as the world defines it.
  - A. True
  - B. False
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Most of the early disciples \_\_\_\_\_ for their faith.
  - A. Paid
  - B. Lied
  - C. Died
  - D. Stole
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Why do you think it seems like we have so few disciples?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. In Luke 9:60, explain why did Jesus tell the man, "Let the dead bury their own dead..."?

6. Jesus told the man in order to be a disciple he needed to go \_\_\_\_\_ and proclaim everywhere the kingdom of God. Not later, but \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Soon
- B. Tomorrow
- C. Now
- D. None of the above.

7. Why do you think that many Christians are NOT ready to commit to discipleship right "now"?

8. Jesus made it plain that discipleship demands immediate \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Obedience
- B. Disobedience
- C. Defiance
- D. Payment

9. Why do you think Jesus told the man in Luke 9:62, "No one, after putting his hands to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God?"

10. Why is an individual not fit for the kingdom after looking back?

11. Discuss what happened to Lot's wife when she "looked back"? (Luke 17:32)

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### Chapter 4: The Cost of Commitment - Part 2

1. God asked for and received Abraham's offer of sacrificing his son, \_\_\_\_\_. The good news is that when you give God your first and best, He gives you His first and best. If you make God and His Kingdom a priority, He knows just where the rams in the thickets hang out.

- A. Jacob
- B. Joseph
- C. Isaac
- D. Esau

2. What is Jesus talking about when he says that we should hate those closest to us?

3. We must be willing to put Jesus ahead of even the most precious people in our lives if we really want to follow Christ.

- A. True
- B. False

4. No one should question you for putting God first, even ahead of your spouse.

- A. True
- B. False

5. There is to be \_\_\_\_\_ in my life that deserves my commitment and my passion more than my love for Jesus Christ.

- A. Something
- B. Anything
- C. Nothing
- D. None of the above.

6. If your husband, wife, parents, or children are dictating your decisions more than the rule of God, you are out of \_\_\_\_\_.

7. The Bible tells us to love our spouses and our children. But Christ is talking about what happens when it comes down to the issue of \_\_\_\_\_, priorities, and decisions.

- A. Obedience
- B. Willpower
- C. Sacrifice
- D. Authority

8. If you want to follow Jesus as His disciple, He does not demand priority over the closest human relationship you have.

- A. True
- B. False

9. Who was it that learned the hard way when he put his compassion for or intimidation by Eve in the garden ahead of God's rule? (Genesis 3)

- A. Cain
- B. Abel
- C. Seth
- D. Adam

10. Discipleship demands a willingness to put God's rule first. Unfortunately, this may sometimes lead to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Suffering
- B. Happiness
- C. Righteousness
- D. Goodness and Mercy

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Chapter 4: The Cost of Commitment - Part 3

1. What does it mean to carry one's own cross? (Luke 14:27)

2. When a person carried their cross through town, it was a one-way journey. It meant death. No matter how much they wanted to turn around and go the other way, they couldn't. They were on the way to the place of \_\_\_\_\_.

3. In Luke 9:23, Jesus is not referring to physical death, because one cannot die physically on a daily basis. He was talking about a day-by-day orientation to life. This is the call to discipleship, not eternal \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Damnation
- B. Salvation
- C. Life
- D. Death

4. Denying yourself doesn't just mean giving up something that you want. It means saying no to your desires and plan for your life when they conflict with God's perfect will. (Roman 12:2)

- A. True
- B. False

5. There is absolutely no \_\_\_\_\_ between the sacred and the secular for a believer. \_\_\_\_\_ is sacred because God bought your life with a price. He governs every single word, choice, entertainment option, songs you listen to, your time, talents, and treasures. All of it.

6. Being a disciple is a full-on, no-holds-barred commitment of everything that make you who you are.

- A. True
- B. False

7. Living as a kingdom disciple who visibly and verbally represents Christ requires that you \_\_\_\_\_ all claims on every aspect of your life.

- A. Share
- B. Relinquish
- C. Retain
- D. Restore

8. Being a disciple of Jesus involves some \_\_\_\_\_, some calculations on our part. You must \_\_\_\_\_ to follow Jesus. (Luke 14:28-30)

9. Is there anything currently in your life that is hindering you from being a disciple of Jesus Christ?

10. What is the meaning of the Lord's illustration of the king who is on his way to fight another king. (Luke 14:31-32)

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Chapter 4: The Cost of Commitment - Part 4

1. What is the key identifying factor of a disciple, according to Jesus? (John 13:34-35)

2. What is the biblical definition of love?

3. It is possible to love people you don't like because love is an intentional choice to do good for another.

- A. True
- B. False

4. List some examples of ways that we sometimes act that is not reflective of being a kingdom disciple of Christ.

5. What is the one thing that is sorely lacking in the church today?

- A. Ongoing Peace
- B. Ongoing Joy
- C. Ongoing Love
- D. Ongoing Prayers

6. When we break the command of love, we also \_\_\_\_\_ others.  
(Romans 13:8-10)

7. Biblical love means I will not do the will of God for you,  
whether you deserve it or not and whether I feel like it or not.

- A. True
- B. False

8. Biblical love can only come from a person who is close to God.  
(Romans 5:5)

- A. True
- B. False

9. How does Jesus' love take the initiative? (I John 4:19)

10. How can we imitate Christ's love by meeting the needs God  
confronts us with? (I John 3:17-18; I Timothy 6:18; II  
Corinthians 9:6-11).

11. Imitating Jesus' love also mean displaying a love for fellow  
Christians. Our love for one another will identify us to the world  
(and to each other) as Jesus' disciples. (John 13:35)

- A. True
- B. False