

Text: Luke 9:18-25  
Topic: Being a Disciple  
Series: Have a Spiritual GPS?

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## The Cost of Following Jesus

### I. The Confrontation (18-22)

Jesus confronts His disciples with His \_\_\_\_\_ and His \_\_\_\_\_.

### II. The Cost (23-24)

Jesus says that following Him requires \_\_\_\_\_.

### III. The Consequence (25-26)

Jesus says that the cost of not following Him is \_\_\_\_\_!

Though the \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_, it is \_\_\_\_\_!

People are available Sunday mornings at the conclusion of each service to pray confidentially for your concerns. Simply come to the front as others are leaving ~ look for those wearing name tags. You can also email us your prayer requests.

Application Questions - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read Luke 9:18-22. Why might Jesus have asked His disciples who people thought He was, then who they thought He was?

Why would Jesus tell them not to tell anyone who He was?

How does a right, and a wrong, understanding of who Jesus is and what He did affect the decisions you make in life?

2. What did Jesus tell His disciples would happen to Him in Luke 9:22? Why would He want them to know?

The reason for what Jesus said would happen to Him would not be understood until after it all happened. What was the reason?

3. Read Luke 9:23-24. What do each of the following phrases mean?

“wishes to come after Me”

“deny himself”

“take up his cross daily”

“save his life/lose his life”

Knowing that Jesus said this is the cost of following Him, are you “all in”? What's your most difficult challenge to being a follower of Jesus?

4. In Luke 9:25-26 Jesus points out the consequences for choosing to not follow Him. What two reasons do you see here for choosing not to follow Jesus? What are the consequences?

Are either, or both, of these temptations having an effect on your following of Jesus? Explain.