



Cost of Discipleship (Luke 13:31-14:6, 25-35; 17:1-10) – What is Discipleship? #4
Sunday August 2, 2026

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Have you counted the cost of being My disciple?

Luke 13:31-14:6 – Threatened – Ignored – Scrutinized

Luke 17:1-10 – NextGen'er – Forgiver – Servant

Now great multitudes went with Him. And He turned and said to them, Luke 14:25 NKJV

If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. Luke 14:26 NKJV

Jesus is over everyone you love

He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. Matthew 10:37 NKJV

And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. Luke 14:27 NKJV

Jesus is over every decision you make

And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it. Matthew 10:38-39 NKJV

Building & Battling (Spiritually)

So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple. Luke 14:33 NKJV

Jesus is over everything you have

Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? 1 Corinthians 6:19 NKJV

For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. 1 Corinthians 6:20 NKJV

This Week's Gospel of Luke Reading Plan:

August 2 – Luke 2 + Luke 7:1-17

August 3 – Luke 3 + Luke 7:1-17

August 4 – Luke 4 + Luke 7:1-17

August 5 – Luke 5 + Luke 7:1-17

August 6 - Luke 6 + Luke 7:1-17

August 7 - Prayer & Reflection

August 8 - Luke 7 + Luke 7:1-17

August 2

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In this series, we learn about how Samuel heard from God when he was just a boy, and how Samuel answered God.

Memory Verse: "Pray about everything." Philippians 4:6A (Adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: We Can Talk To God

Parent Connect: Today we started our new series, We Can Talk To God. This month we will be learning about Samuel when he was just a boy and heard God talking to him.

This month, intentionally start teaching your toddler to pray with you. Each day, have your toddler pray in some way. Maybe this is at meal time, bed time, when he/she is scared, etc. Its totally okay to keep it simple.

Using simple prompts like "Pray and thank God for One thing!" or "Pray and ask God to help (a person or situation)." God loves the simple prayers of a kid!



In this series, Kids will learn each day of creation, the beginning when Adam and Eve were in the garden of Eden, and some of the bad choices and bad consequences. The most important thing kids will learn is that God still loves us and God keeps all of his promises!

Memory Verse: "In the beginning God created the Heavens and the Earth." Genesis 1:1

Heart of the Lesson: God Keeps His Promises | Genesis 6:9-9

Parent Connect: Today we learned that God keeps His promises! God promised Noah that He would never destroy all living things with flood again. God sent a beautiful rainbow as a sign of His promise to Noah! Make a fun rainbow snack with your kid at home and talk about how God keeps His promises!



We are taking a walk through the savannah to learn how we can follow the King of Kings, Jesus!

Memory Verse: Luke 9:57 | "As they were walking along, someone said to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go."

Heart of the Lesson: **The King Forgives Us | Luke 24:47**

Parent Connect:

Read: Luke 13:32–14:6; 14:25–35; 17:1–10

Talk: Jesus taught that following Him is worth everything. What is something you might give up or change to put Jesus first?

Do: Listen to the song “Have My Heart” by Bridge Worship together and listen for the section that says “If it’s not Jesus, then I don’t need it.”



Our series this month is called, Follow Me. We are looking at what being a disciple of Jesus in the book of Luke. We want to shine the light of God so that our whole lives will be radiant. We will explore how we should take correction, how to handle conflict, what discipleship looks like, and we will learn the cost of discipleship as we explore being a floodlight of Christ in our community.

Memory Verse: Luke 11: 36 “If you are filled with light, no dark corners, then your whole life will be radiant, as though a floodlight were filling you with light.”

Heart of the Lesson: Following Jesus means accepting God’s invitation into His Kingdom. Luke 14:16-24

Parent Connect: For our final week in this series, we looked at what Jesus said about who is invited into God’s Kingdom. One of the examples in Luke was about inviting the poor, crippled, and lame over for a banquet after the neighbors and friends wouldn’t come. Consider serving one of our local outreach partners as a family one evening this month. This sacrifice of your family’s time is a great way to practically connect with the inviting others into God’s Kingdom. Giving up one night of your normal routine to serve others is a great way to follow Jesus.