



“CLUES YOU ARE A REAL DISCIPLE”

Series: “RELIGIOUS OR CHRISTIAN?”, Part 4 of 4

Sunday, September 29, 2024, at 9:00 and 11:00 AM

Text: Luke 14:25-33

Big Idea: Being a true disciple of Jesus is the most radical calling in the world.

Acts 11:26b, “The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.”

Acts 26:28, “Then Agrippa said to Paul, “Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?”

1 Peter 4:16, “But if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not feel ashamed, but in that name let him glorify God.” {NASV}

I. REAL DISCIPLES LOVE JESUS SUPREME.

Luke 14:26, “If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters—yes, even his own life—he cannot be my disciple.”

Matthew 10:37, “Anyone who loves his father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.”

II. REAL DISCIPLES SUFFER FOR JESUS, EVEN TO THE POINT OF DEATH.

Luke 14:27, “And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.”

III. REAL DISCIPLES RELY ON JESUS AS THE SOURCE FOR EVERYTHING THEY NEED.

Luke 14:28-30, “Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it? For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him, saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’”

Luke 14:31-33, “Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one

coming against him with twenty thousand? If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.”