Look Before You Leap

Luke 14:25-33

Introduction: Many who become Christians today soon fall away. The attendance rolls from a few years ago are full of people whom no longer associate with the Lord's Church. Why is this? They did not count the cost.

I. The Cost of Being a Disciple

- A. It will cost you your family Luke 14:26, 1 Corinthians 7:15
- B. It will cost you your former way of life Romans 12:1, James 1:21
- C. It will cost you much effort 1 Corinthians 15:58
- D. It will cost you your time Hebrews 10:24-25
- E. It will cost you your possessions 1 John 2:15
- F. It will cost you your life Luke 14:27

II. Are You Willing To Be A Disciple?

- A. Examples around us today
 - 1. The foolish builder, Luke 14:28-30
 - 2. The foolish king, Luke 14:30-32
- B. If you become a disciple without counting the cost
 - 1. You will be discouraged, John 6:66
 - 2. The church will be spoken against, Matthew 5:14
 - 3. Your fate will be worse than before, 2 Peter 2:20-22
- C. So why become a disciple?
 - 1. Christ is worth more than all the world, Matthew 13:44
 - 2. Your sins will finally be forgiven, Acts 22:16
 - 3. You will have a home in heaven