

**Church of the Valley**  
**Building Your Faith - Part 4**  
**Rules of the Road**  
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**FOUNDATIONAL VERSES FOR SERIES**

UNLESS THE LORD BUILDS THE HOUSE, THE BUILDERS LABOR IN VAIN. PSALM 127:1

THEN HE SAID, "I AM THE GOD OF YOUR FATHER, THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, THE GOD OF ISAAC AND THE GOD OF JACOB." EXODUS 3:6

**SERMON PASSAGE**

LUKE 14:25-33

**STAY IN THE SCOPE OF YOUR CALL:**

**1.) SET YOUR PRIORITY**

"IF ANYONE COMES TO ME AND DOES NOT HATE FATHER AND MOTHER, WIFE AND CHILDREN, BROTHERS AND SISTERS—YES, EVEN THEIR OWN LIFE—SUCH A PERSON CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLE. LUKE 14:26

BUT WHOEVER HAS DOUBTS IS CONDEMNED IF THEY EAT, BECAUSE THEIR EATING IS NOT FROM FAITH; AND EVERYTHING THAT DOES NOT COME FROM FAITH IS SIN. ROM 14:12

**2.) CARRY YOUR CROSS**

AND WHOEVER DOES NOT CARRY THEIR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLE. LUKE 14:27

**3.) FOLLOWING JESUS IS ACTIVE NOT PASSIVE NOR REACTIVE**

AND WHOEVER DOES NOT CARRY THEIR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLE. LUKE 14:27

SON THOUGH HE WAS, HE LEARNED OBEDIENCE FROM WHAT HE SUFFERED. HEBREWS 5:8

**#IGNORING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTEDNESS....**

28 "SUPPOSE ONE OF YOU WANTS TO BUILD A TOWER. WON'T YOU FIRST SIT DOWN AND ESTIMATE THE COST TO SEE IF YOU HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO COMPLETE IT? 29 FOR IF YOU LAY THE FOUNDATION AND ARE NOT ABLE TO FINISH IT, EVERYONE WHO SEES IT WILL RIDICULE YOU, 30 SAYING, 'THIS PERSON BEGAN TO BUILD AND WASN'T ABLE TO FINISH.' LUKE 14:28-30

20 NOW MAY THE GOD OF PEACE, WHO THROUGH THE BLOOD OF THE ETERNAL COVENANT BROUGHT BACK FROM THE DEAD OUR LORD JESUS, THAT GREAT SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEP, 21 EQUIP YOU WITH EVERYTHING GOOD FOR DOING HIS WILL, AND MAY HE WORK IN US WHAT IS PLEASING TO HIM, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, TO WHOM BE GLORY FOR EVER AND EVER. AMEN. HEBREWS 13:20-21

**#HUMILITY REQUIRED....**

31 "OR SUPPOSE A KING IS ABOUT TO GO TO WAR AGAINST ANOTHER KING. WON'T HE FIRST SIT DOWN AND CONSIDER WHETHER HE IS ABLE WITH TEN THOUSAND MEN TO OPPOSE THE ONE COMING AGAINST HIM WITH TWENTY THOUSAND? 32 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. LUKE 14:31-32

## **EMBODYING THE TRUTH**

### **REST IN JESUS.**

28 "COME TO ME, ALL YOU WHO ARE WEARY AND BURDENED, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST. MATTHEW 11:28

### **LIFE QUESTIONS?**

#### **1.) HAVE YOU GIVEN UP EVERYTHING FOR CHRIST?**

33 IN THE SAME WAY, THOSE OF YOU WHO DO NOT GIVE UP EVERYTHING YOU HAVE CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLES. LUKE 14:33

#### **2.) DO YOU HAVE CHILD-LIKE FAITH?**

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14