

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

THE COST OF OBEDIENCE

I SAMUEL 20:1-42

NOVEMBER 26TH, 2023

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Questions:

1. From your perspective, what has been the biggest cost to David in his obedience to God? (not necessarily a right or wrong answer, but more for discussion).
2. Explore the following passages as a small group and discuss why it is necessary to sacrifice and “die to self” in order to follow Jesus.
 - Luke 14:26-27
 - Luke 9:23-25
 - John 15:18-20
 - Philippians 3:7-8
 - Romans 12:1-2
3. When you think about your own life, what have you “given up” in order to follow Jesus faithfully?
4. What does it say if you follow Jesus and it hasn’t really cost you anything?
5. Why is God’s steadfast lovingkindness the greatest motivator to sacrifice what is needed in order to be faithful to the Lord?
6. Do you sense the Lord leading you to sacrifice more in your life (i.e. comfort, control, giving more financially, a particular sin struggle, a decision you’re in the midst of making, etc.)? If so, please share that with the group and ask for prayer.