



The Word @ Home

September 5, 2010

Scripture: Luke 14:25-33

Thoughts: In Peterson's translation, the Message, vs. 33: "Simply put, if you're not willing to take what is dearest to you, whether plans, or people, and kiss it good-bye, you can't be my disciple." How strong the message of Christ that we are to lay all things we value aside to follow Him. How difficult a call that is! Who among us can easily choose this path?

Discussion: Consider the challenge to "kiss good-bye" all things dearest to you. What does the scripture really mean for us as Christians in this modern society? What is our path of discipleship?

Activities: Stretch yourself in the next month, and beyond, to choose discipleship in a new ministry or outreach—at church, in your community, or in your neighborhood. Allow Christ to work in these relationships. Pray for daily guidance in your endeavors. Have conversations with your pastors regarding your ministry.