

The Cost Factor

II Samuel 24:18-25

- (v. 24) *And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy it of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing.*

Let's talk about the Cost Factor:

I. The Cost of Man's Salvation

A. The price Jesus paid for our salvation.

- Isaiah 53:3-11

Three words characterize His death:

3. _____ (vv. 3-5)
4. _____ (vv. 4-6)

❖ Jesus Christ's death on the cross was a substitutionary death.

a. Paul described it this way:

- II Corinthians 5:21

b. Peter explained it this way:

- I Peter 2:24

3. _____ (vv. 10-11)

a. God the Father _____.

- (v. 10) *Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief*

b. God the Father _____.

- (v. 11) *He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied.*

- I John 2:2

B. The method God chose to redeem man.

1. God chose an _____.

- Galatians 3:13

❖ Crucifixion was considered one of the most brutal and shameful modes of death.

2. Why did God the Father choose this method?

To give man a descriptive demonstration of:

- b. _____.

❖ The cross was God's way of showing us the awfulness & terribleness of sin.

- b. _____.

- I John 4:9-10

II. The Cost of the Believer's Service

- John 12:26

A. Following Christ comes with a price.

- Luke 14:25-33

1. We are told to _____ (v. 28)
2. We are told to _____ (v. 31)

B. What is the cost for a believer to follow Christ?

1. _____ (v. 26)
2. _____ (v. 27)

- I Corinthians 15:31 *I die daily.*

3. _____ (v. 33)

III. The Value of Serving the Lord

With great sacrifice, comes great reward.

- Matthew 19:27-29

(v. 29) *And every one that hath forsaken ... for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.*