

# The Cost of Following Christ - Obedience Regardless of the Consequences

*Matthew 16:21-28*

**Summary:** This outline emphasizes the importance of obedience to Christ, regardless of the consequences, and highlights the call, consequences, and commitment involved in following Him faithfully.

**Topic:** Cost of Following Christ

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## The Call to Obey [Matthew 16:21-23]

1. The revelation of Christ's suffering and death [Matthew 16:21]
2. Peter's reaction and rebuke [Matthew 16:22]
3. Understanding the necessity of obedience [Matthew 16:23]

## The Consequences of Obedience [Matthew 16:24-26]

1. Denying oneself and taking up the cross [Matthew 16:24]
2. Losing one's life for Christ's sake [Matthew 16:25]
3. Gaining eternal life versus losing one's soul [Matthew 16:26]

## The Commitment to Obey [Matthew 16:27-28]

1. The reward for faithful obedience [Matthew 16:27]
2. The promise of Christ's return and judgment [Matthew 16:28]
3. Living in anticipation of the kingdom of God [Matthew 16:28]