



COUNT THE COST | WEEK 1  
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Many people think they are \_\_\_\_\_, but they are just \_\_\_\_\_.

**Fan:** an enthusiastic admirer

“Not everyone who calls out to me, ‘Lord! Lord!’ will **enter** the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will **enter**.” *Matthew 7:21*

Why so many fans?

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever **believes** in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

“When we decide to believe in Jesus without making a commitment to follow him, we become nothing more than fans... to truly believe is to follow.”  
Kyle Idleman

How do we move from fan to follower?

You move from fan to follower by \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

“But don’t begin until you **count** the **cost**. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it? Otherwise, you might complete only the foundation before running out of money, and then everyone would laugh at you. They would say, ‘There’s the person who started that building and couldn’t afford to finish it!’” *Luke 14:28-30*

He came to Jesus at **night**... *John 3:2*

“He could talk to Jesus at night and quietly make a decision in his heart to believe in Jesus; that way it wouldn’t disrupt his comfortable and established life.” Kyle Idleman

There is \_\_\_\_\_ a cost to following Jesus.

Then he said to the crowd, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must **give up your own way**, take up your **cross** daily, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you **give up your life** for my sake, you will save it.” *Luke 9:23-24*

“Hand over the whole self, all the desires which you think innocent as well as the ones you think wicked—the whole outfit. I will give you a new self instead. In fact, I will give you Myself: my will shall become yours.” C.S. Lewis

How do you get there?

At this point many of his disciples turned away and **deserted** him. Then Jesus turned to the Twelve and asked, “Are you also going to **leave**?”  
*John 6:66-67*

Simon Peter replied, “Lord, to whom would we go? You have the words that give **eternal life**. We **believe**, and we **know** you are the Holy One of God.” *John 6:68-69*

You must believe that Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_.

What has following Jesus cost you?

followers, fans  
paying, price  
always  
greatest show, earth