

WEEK 3 PAY THE PRICE DANNY ANDERSON

Adults choose to <u>pay</u> the <u>price</u>.

"You will find that everything in life exacts a price, and you will have to decide whether the price is worth the prize." — Sam Nunn

Anything worth having doesn't come <u>easy</u>.

"The dictionary is the only place that success comes before work. Hard work is the price we must pay for success. I think you can accomplish anything if you're willing to pay the price."

Vince Lombardi

"Those unwilling to work will not get to eat." 2 Thessalonians 3:10

All hard **work** brings **profit**, but mere **talk** leads to **poverty**. *Proverbs* 14:23

Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one **sows**, that will he also **reap**. *Galatians 6*:7

You cannot be a <u>disciple</u> if you don't pay the price.

"If anyone comes to me and does not **hate** father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person **cannot** be my disciple. And whoever does not carry their **cross** and follow me cannot be my disciple." *Luke* 14:26-27

"In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have **cannot** be my disciples." *Luke* 14:33

Those unwilling to pay the price will pay a _____price ____.

"Everyone must choose one of two pains: the pain of discipline or the pain of regret." — Jim Rohn

Those who **work** their land will have **abundant food**, but those who chase fantasies will have their fill of **poverty**. *Proverbs* 28:19

1. Commit <u>daily</u>.

"Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross **daily** and follow me." *Luke* 9:23

2. Get comfortable being <u>uncomfortable</u>.

"If people knew how hard I had to work to gain my mastery, it wouldn't seem wonderful at all." — Michelangelo

"I do not have an addiction to suffering. I have an addiction to what the product of suffering is." - Mat Fraser

What are you missing out on because you refuse to pay the price?



Group Prep

In preparation for small group, read Luke 14:26-33, then answer the following discussion questions.

Introduction

The dictionary is the only place where success comes before work. Anything worth having doesn't come easy. This is true for graduating college, getting in shape, forming a vibrant spiritual life, raising kids, etc. Adults must choose to pay the price.

Discussion Questions

1. What comes to mind when you hear the phrase, "Anything worth having doesn't come easy?" There is always a price to pay if you want to experience greatness in any area of life. In what aspects of life are you striving to find success?

2. Read Luke 14:26-33. What is Jesus attempting to teach us with each of His examples? Why is Jesus being the most important aspect of our life so necessary for achieving success?

As you look back over your life, what were the costs you identified and paid to follow Jesus? What are the costs you are just now beginning to identify and understand?

Those unwilling to pay the price will eventually pay a price. Describe a time in your life when you chose not to pay the price on the front end but had to pay a difficult price on the back end? 3. Why is "getting comfortable being uncomfortable" necessary to succeed? What success do you desire that you haven't been willing to get uncomfortable for, and what do you allow to get in the way of achieving that success? What needs to happen for you to pay the price necessary to achieve success?

Read Luke 9:23. What could you do daily (consistently) to achieve success in this area? Why would it be worth it?

Action Step

What are you missing out on because you are refusing to pay the price? Zig Ziglar said, "You don't pay the price for success, you enjoy the benefits." In what area of your life do you want to be great, and what uncomfortable, daily price are you going to begin paying this coming week to achieve it?

My action step is	
I will encourage and pray for	to follow through
and their action step is	
My memory verse is	
This coming week, I'm praying for	

Outreach: Groups in Action

Don't forget to bring back your box filled with school supplies for Emmanuel's Pack a Box service project on **June 23 or 24**.

There are 27 individuals leaving for Colombia on June 23 and returning June 30. Please pray for the team before and during the trip.