

# THE SIGNIFICANCE OF SURRENDER

Luke 14:25-35

## A. Seven Ideas:

1. vs. 25 **LARGE Crowds...**
  2. vs. 26 **My passion for God must outweigh my compassion for people.**
  3. vs. 27 **“...Carry his cross and follow me...” Surrender**  
**“Surrenderless Christianity is not Christianity at all.”**
  4. vs. 28-30 **It costs us something to be a Christian. We must understand the cost to finish what we start with God. To only partially surrender erodes our ability to allow God to finish what He starts. Surrendering provides what is needed to finish what He starts.**
  5. vs. 31-33 **The King with 20,000 men is God. Make peace. To make peace with God, we give up all we have.**
  6. vs. 34-35 **Disciples make an impact on their environment. Those who make no impact are worthless to our King.**
  7. vs. 35b **To hear and not to obey is not to hear at all.**
- Matthew 25: “Well good and faithful servant.” Faithfulness broadens my impact.**

## B. Requires:

1. Humility
2. Trust

## C. Stages of Surrender

1. I do not surrender anything at any time
2. I surrender some things some of the time
3. I surrender most things most of the time
4. I surrender all things all the time

## D. What Needs to be Surrendered

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| 1. My past, present, future | 6. My need for recognition |
| 2. Me                       | 7. My self-dependence      |
| 3. Ministry                 | 8. My worry                |
| 4. My desire for control    | 9. My fears                |
| 5. My pride                 | 10. My doubts              |