

HIS COST, OUR BENEFIT

Luke 12:49-59

Salvation is free to us only because it cost Jesus everything. Following our Savior will cost us something but rejecting Jesus costs everything. His cost is our eternal benefit.

- Jesus Paid for our Salvation at Great Cost.
- Following Jesus will Cost Us.
- Rejecting Jesus Will Cost Everything.

FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. Jesus says in Luke 12:49 that He came to “cast fire on the earth.” What thoughts or images come to your mind when you hear that?
(See Malachi 3:1-3; Jeremiah 23:29; Hebrews 12:28-29; Acts 2:1-4)
2. In verses 49-50, Jesus speaks of a baptism He must undergo. What is He pointing to, and why does He describe Himself as “distressed” until it is accomplished?
(See Luke 22:41-44; 1 Peter 3:17-18;)
3. How do the examples of division in verses 52-53 (family relationships) highlight the seriousness of following Jesus?
(See John 15:18-19; 2 Timothy 3:12; 1 Peter 4:12-14; Luke 6:22)
4. In verses 57-59, Jesus uses a parable about a courtroom and debtor’s prison. What is His point, and how does it connect to the urgency of repentance?
(See 2 Cor 5:21-6:2; 2 Peter 3:9-13)
5. Where in your life is following Jesus putting you at odds with cultural expectations, friends, or even family? How can you prepare to remain faithful?

