Cost of Being a Disciple - Speaking Content

Welcome

- Greetings
 - o Learnt a lot
 - o Eaten well
 - o Slept well last night
 - Has spent some time loving one another
- Point of the workshop
 - Not typical evangelism workshop
 - o Evangelism starts with individual commitment to Christ
- Outline for the workshop
 - o Personal Schedule
 - o Look at bible that tells us what it means to follow Christ
 - o Discuss together
 - o Come up with ideas and personal actions

Cost of being a disciple

- Context
 - Jesus had been travelling through to Jerusalem via villages and towns (Luke 14:22),
 encountered other large crowds, pharisee's house, teaching in synagogues
 - o Large crowds were following Him and Jesus turned to them
- Not letting anything stand in your way (Luke 14:26)
 - o Hate father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters
 - Not really hating them as it contradicts
 - Illustration of not letting anything stand in your way to follow Christ
 - o Hate own life
 - Pride, wealth, ambition
- Being prepared to suffer (Luke 14:27)
 - o Being prepared to carry your cross
 - o Not afraid to suffer
 - Not afraid to die
- Examples used (Luke 14:28-33)
 - o Jesus wanted them to calculate the cost before proceeding to follow
- Being the Salt (Luke 14:34-35)
 - We cannot just look like the salt
 - Jesus had large crowds, but he didn't want the appearance of salt. But he needed people who were prepared to be the real salt

Conclusion

- Read Matthew 28:19-20
- People are called to be evangelists but all followers commissioned
- To do this, we need to model our lives on Christ which is impossible normally, but we have the holy spirit to help us do this.
- Need to live life of obedience to Christ and to know him more to do this.