After Baptism, then What #2

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Being a Christian may cost you

Human relationships

- **Luke 14:26 (NKJV)**
  - "If anyone comes to Me and does not ***hate*** his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple.

Being a Christian will cost you

Your old will

- **Matthew 16:24 (NKJV)**

  24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let ***him deny himself***, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

Being a Christian will cost you

Your old life

- **Acts 19:18-19 (NKJV)**

  18 And many who had believed came confessing and telling their deeds.

  19 Also, many of those ***who had practiced*** magic brought their books together and burned *them* in the sight of all. And they counted up the value of them, and *it* totaled fifty thousand *pieces* of silver.

Being a Christian will cost you

- **Romans 6:3-7 (NKJV)**

3 Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?
4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so **we also should walk in newness of life**.
5 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be *in the likeness* of *His* resurrection,
6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with *Him,* that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin.
7 For he who has died has been freed from sin.

Being a Christian will cost you

- **Colossians 2:12 (NKJV)**

  12 **buried with Him in baptism**, in which you also were raised with *Him* through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.

- **Colossians 3:2 (NKJV)**

  2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.

Being a Christian will cost you

Your old friends (If they would pull you away)

- **2 Corinthians 6:14 (NKJV)**

  14 Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers.
  For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness?
  And what communion has light with darkness?

Being a Christian will cost you

Your old selfishness

- **Example: Rich farmer (Lk. 12:13-21)**

Being a Christian brings a NEW life!

Your new life will be

A life of Sacrifice

- **Romans 12:1 (NKJV)**

  1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies ***a living sacrifice***, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service.

Your new life will be

A life of Work

- **Philippians 2:12 (NKJV)**

  12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, ***work out your own salvation with fear and trembling***

Your new life will be

A life of persecution

- **2 Timothy 3:12 (NKJV)**

  12 Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus ***will suffer persecution.***

Your new life will be

A life of trials and tribulations

- **James 1:2 (NKJV)**

  2 My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials,

Worth the cost?

Think of what it cost God

- **Romans 5:8 (NKJV)**

  8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.