## Palmetto Baptist Church – March 10, 2013 Counting the Cost – Matthew 10:34-42

## **Inside the Text:**

- I. The Gospel creates conflict with those around you. (34-36)
  - A. You must be willing to stand for the truth. (34)
  - B. You must be willing to suffer for the truth. (35-36)
- II. The Gospel demands commitment from you. (37-39)
  - A. You must evaluate your affection for Christ. (37)
  - B. You must surrender your life to Christ. (38-39)
- III. The Gospel offers reward to others through you. (40-42)
  - A. You are an ambassador for Christ. (40)
  - B. You are a source of blessing for others. (41-42)

## **Apply the Text:**

- Stop avoiding the conflict that comes from the Gospel.
- Evaluate your affection for Christ and commitment to Christ.
- Accept your role in God's redemptive plan.