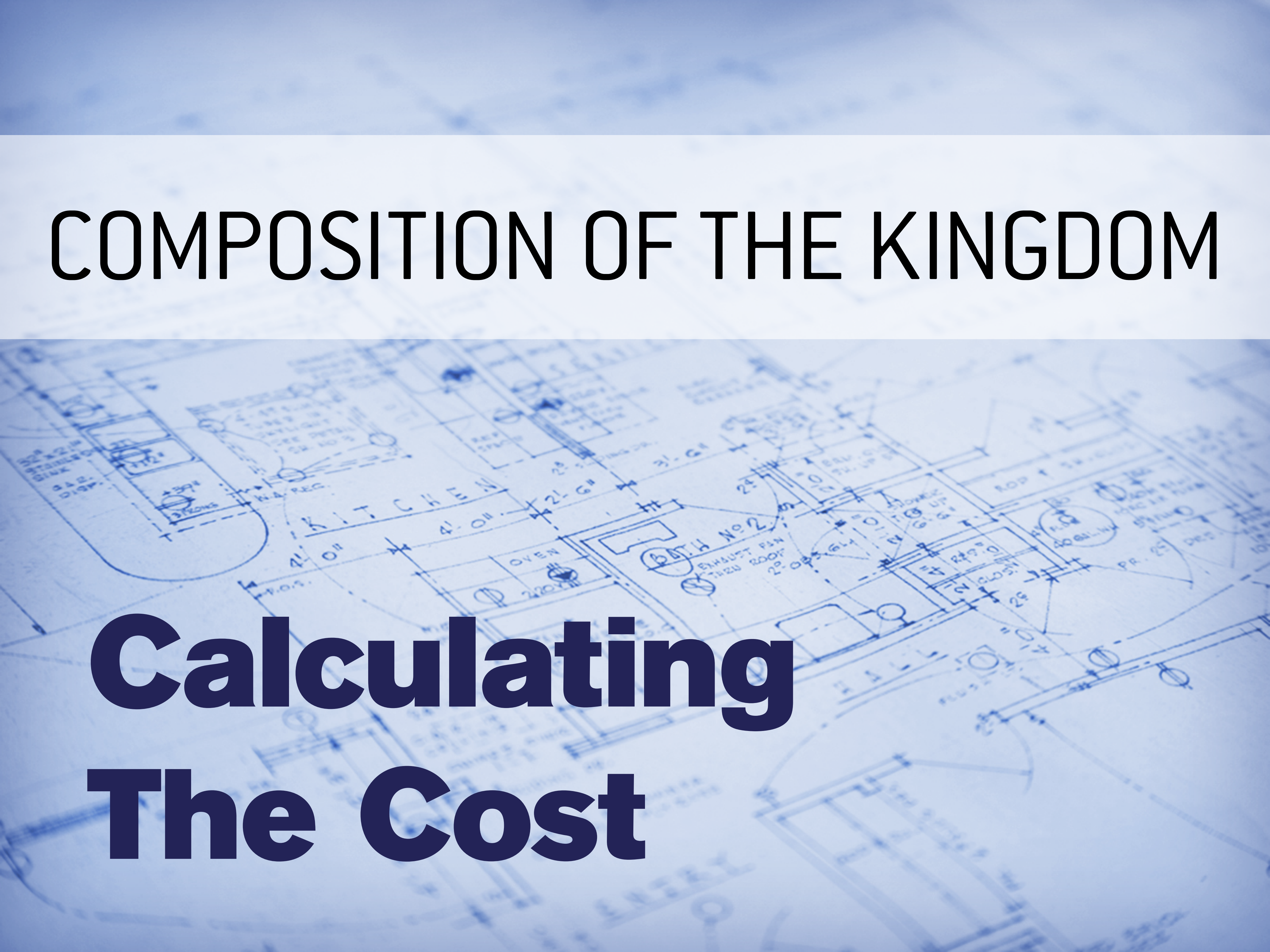


COMPOSITION OF THE KINGDOM

The background of the image is a detailed architectural floor plan of a house, rendered in a light blue color. The plan shows various rooms including a kitchen, a bathroom, and a living area. Labels such as 'KITCHEN', 'BATH No 2', and 'OVEN' are visible. The drawing includes structural lines, dimensions, and annotations. Overlaid on this background are two text elements: a large white title at the top and a dark blue title at the bottom.

**Calculating
The Cost**



***How we build
depends on *what* we
are trying to build.***

CALCULATING THE COST

The Kingdom of God: Ezekiel 37:24-28

“They will live on the land that I gave to Jacob My servant, in which your fathers lived; and they will live on it, they, and their sons and their sons’ sons, forever; and David My servant will be their prince forever... I will be their God, and they will be My people.”

CALCULATING THE COST



The True Kingdom: Luke 14-16

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Luke 14:25-35



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- **A Statement about Sacrifice.**
- **A Reckoning of Resources.**
- **Measuring Potency and Purity.**

CALCULATING THE COST

A Statement about Sacrifice. (25-27)

“If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.”

CALCULATING THE COST

A Statement about Sacrifice. (25-27)

Matthew 10:34-39

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A Statement about Sacrifice. (25-27)

Matthew 10:34-39

Jesus is the ultimate separator, because all people must choose for themselves.

CALCULATING THE COST

A Statement about Sacrifice. (25-27)

Matthew 12:46-50

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A Statement about Sacrifice. (25-27)

Matthew 12:46-50

Our true family is the ones who have God's interests as their primary motivation and goal.

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A Statement about Sacrifice. (25-27)

Matthew 16:21-26

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A Statement about Sacrifice. (25-27)

Matthew 16:21-26

Jesus knew that His physical life was secondary to bringing God's plan of salvation to completion.

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

“For which one of you, when he wants to build a tower, does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who observe it begin to ridicule him, saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’”

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

“Or what king, when he sets out to meet another king in battle, will not first sit down and consider whether he is strong enough with ten thousand *men* to encounter the one coming against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace.”

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

**“So then, none of you can be
My disciple who does not give
up all his own possessions.”**

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

Mark 10:17-31

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

Mark 10:17-31

Anything that you determine is too much to give up to follow Jesus is the definition of idolatry.

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

Hebrews 10:26-31

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

Hebrews 10:26-31

If we are to undertake His great covenant for salvation, we must know it is the *only* avenue.

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

James 4:1-10

CALCULATING THE COST

A Reckoning of Resources. (28-33)

James 4:1-10

When we petition God for His blessings, but have only selfish motivations, it causes strife.

CALCULATING THE COST

Measuring Potency & Purity. (34-35)

“Therefore, salt is good; but if even salt has become tasteless, with what will it be seasoned? It is useless either for the soil or for the manure pile; it is thrown out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

CALCULATING THE COST

Measuring Potency & Purity. (34-35)

Matthew 5:8, 13-20

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Measuring Potency & Purity. (34-35)

Matthew 5:8, 13-20

We naturally influence the world around us when we behave according to God's values.

CALCULATING THE COST

Measuring Potency & Purity. (34-35)

Matthew 6:19-24

CALCULATING THE COST

Measuring Potency & Purity. (34-35)

Matthew 6:19-24

We cloud our perception of the light when we block it out from inside with fleshly motivations.

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Measuring Potency & Purity. (34-35)

Matthew 13:7, 22, 24-30

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Measuring Potency & Purity. (34-35)

Matthew 13:7, 22, 24-30

The seed that is too choked to bring forth fruit fell on the heart full of physical distractions.

CALCULATING THE COST



**Are you *truly* a
disciple of Jesus?**

CALCULATING THE COST

