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Book of the Month

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The Cost of Discipleship

by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a young, prominent German theologian and pastor in the 1930's. Though a pacifist, Bonhoeffer actively opposed Hitler and the Nazi regime. In the late 30's, Bonhoeffer returned to Germany rather than stay safely outside the country. He was executed by the Nazis in April, 1945. Bonhoeffer's book, *The Cost of Discipleship* (1937), is his most well-known.

What does Jesus' call to discipleship really mean for us — in today's world? Focusing on the Sermon on the Mount, Bonhoeffer helps us to understand just how demanding and counter-cultural Jesus' teachings really are. This book will repay a slow, thoughtful reading.

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