



INTRO TO DISCIPLESHIP

Session 2

Following Jesus to look like Jesus.

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Session Overview

FOUNDATIONAL SCRIPTURE		PURPOSE
Matthew 16:24-27 (Luke 9:23-27)		DEEPEN OUR UNDER- STANDING OF WHAT DISCI- PLES DO.
Matthew 10:34-39		
Matthew 28:16-20		
Luke 9:57-62		
KEY TERMS		TARGETS
●	DISCIPLE	BELIEVING DEVELOPMENT PERSEVERANCE DENIAL
●	DISCIPLESHIP	
●	THE GREAT COMMISSION	
●	BELIEVE/FAITH	
●	SPIRITUAL GROWTH	
●	BAPTISM	

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Who discipled you?

Reflect on your experience as a disciple, consider who discipled you and how they did/are doing it.



Talk

What is Disciple- ship?



What is Discipleship?

The **process** of following Jesus Christ, learning from His teachings, and living according to His example. The point is to grow from spiritual infancy to spiritual maturity to become more like Him.

Discipleship is not just about acquiring knowledge but about **transformation**—allowing the Holy Spirit to work in and through a person to shape their thoughts, behaviors, and attitudes to reflect Christ.

What is a



A believer who takes part in the spiritual developmental process of progressively learning to live all of life under the lordship of Jesus Christ.
(Evans, 2019)



Disciple?

What do Disciples do?

FOLLOW JESUS

A disciple is someone who follows Jesus, seeking to understand His will and align their life with Him. Proximity is important. This involves a personal relationship with Christ, marked by faith, obedience, and devotion.

LEARN & GROW

Discipleship involves a commitment to studying Scripture, prayer, and fellowship with other believers. It's a lifelong journey of learning, where a disciple continually seeks to deepen their understanding of God and His Word. Your walk will suffer if you stop growing.

IMITATE CHRIST

A disciple strives to imitate Jesus in their daily life, embodying His love, compassion, humility, and righteousness. This means adopting a Christ-like attitude in relationships, decisions, and service to others. God made us in His image & likeness (Genesis 1:26).

MAKE DISCIPLES

Part of being a disciple is helping others become disciples. This involves sharing the gospel (evangelism), teaching others about Jesus, and encouraging them in their faith journey. The Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20) calls all believers to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey everything Jesus commanded.

EMBRACE COMMUNITY & ACCOUNTABILITY

Discipleship often takes place within the context of Christian community, where believers support, encourage, and hold each other accountable. This mutual growth and support are vital for spiritual development and perseverance in the faith. (1 Thessalonians 5:11, Hebrews 10:24-25; 3:13; 2 Timothy 2:1-2)

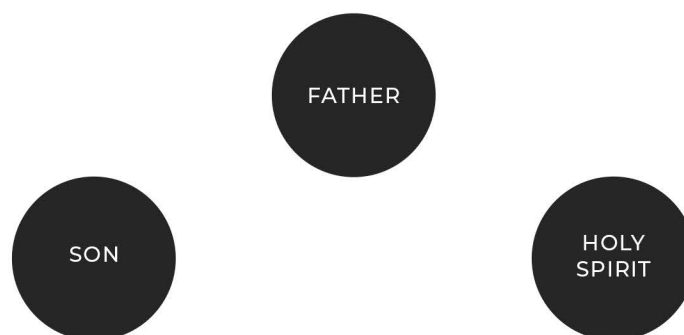
HOW DO I BECOME A DISCIPLE?

SEEKING HIS FACE, NOT HIS HAND

Our **belief** in God (not in what He can produce) through Jesus Christ, is the strongest weapon we have against the enemy and guarantees life (John 3:16). It's the only thing the enemy is after (Genesis 3).

GOD IS JESUS IS THE HOLY SPIRIT

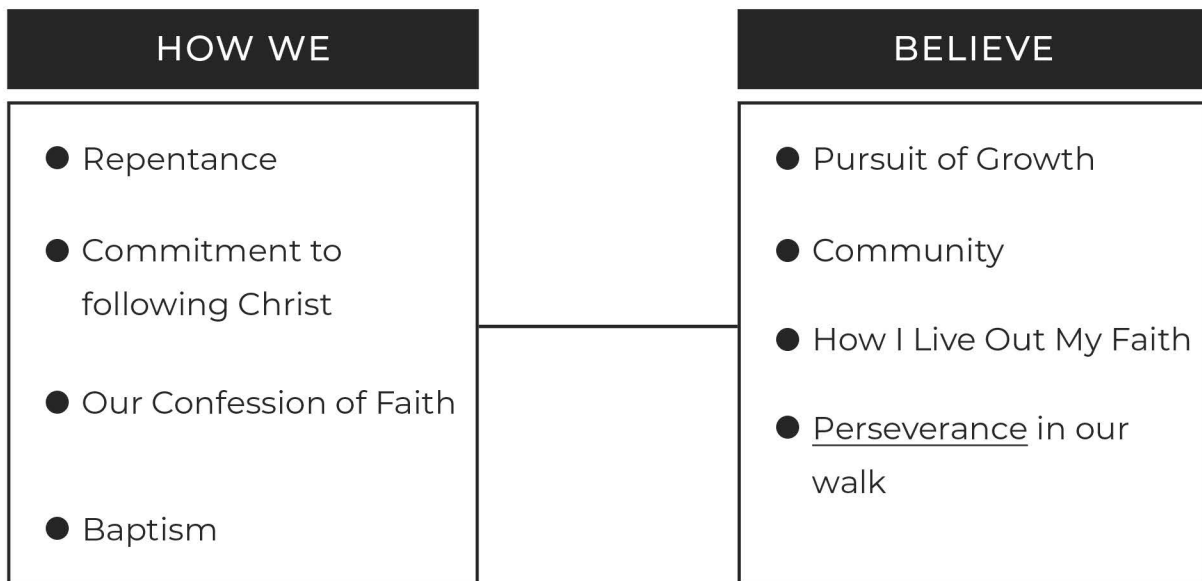
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BELIEVE

Our Belief is shown in our Actions!



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-- Believe (pisteuō) means to adhere to, trust, or rely on.

-- Believing is more than just agreeing with.

-- There's a cost to believing. And it's cashed in by how you live your life.

PERSEVERANCE IS TO...

_____ a purpose

in spite of _____,

obstacles, or _____.

MAINTAIN | DIFFICULTY | DISCOURAGEMENT

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What have you had to persevere through?
Discuss things you've have to push through



Talk

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If we're being developed by God, anything unholy (not set apart) cannot remain.

- o Denial is more than saying no, it's a heart posture. (Matthew 16:24-25)
- o Our association with Christ will introduce problems in our relationships. (Matthew 10:34-39)
- o Following Jesus will cost us our relationships, luxuries, comforts, priorities, etc. (Luke 9:57-62)

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by God

THE PROCESS OF

DEVELOPMENT

WE'RE IN DANGER IF WE STOP DEVELOPING.

Analysis :

Planning :

Deconstruction :

Demolition :

Reconstruction :

We have to persevere through development
to reap the benefits of development.

WHICH PART OF THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT IS YOUR
MOST CHALLENGING?

Let's Reflect!

Share your thoughts.

How can you actively make disciples in your daily life?

Think about specific actions you can take at work, in your community, or within
your family.

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