

# Matthew 28:18-20

Disciples?

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18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

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19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

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20 "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.



# What is a disciple?

- Is there a problem?
  - What is it?
    - What's the cure?

# What is a disciple?

- Is there a problem?
  - Informational
  - Motivational
  - Organizational

# What is a disciple?

- **Disciple**, from the Greek [mathētēs], merely means “learner”,
- from the root [manthanō] “to learn”,
- in a general sense it is somebody that is a committed follower of a teacher or master.

# What is a disciple?

- Learner - more than a learner..
- Follower? Believer?
- Christian? (Acts 9:36, 1st Tim 3:10-11)

“A disciple of Jesus is one who has come to Jesus for eternal life, has claimed Jesus as Savior and God, and has embarked upon the life of following Jesus.-

“- Disciple is the primary term used in the Gospels to refer to Jesus’ followers and is a common referent for those known in the early church as believers, Christians, brothers/sisters, those of the Way, or saints, although each term focuses upon different aspects of the individual’s relationship with Jesus and others of the faith. -

“- The term was used most frequently in this specific sense.”

Wilkins, Michael J. Following the Master.

# The goal: Christlikeness

“follow Him for the purpose of becoming more like Him.”

- Taylor, Rick. *The Anatomy of a Disciple*

# How?

“God wants your heart to be like Jesus’ heart. As your heart goes, so goes the rest of your life.”

- Taylor, Rick. The Anatomy of a Disciple

# Where do we start?

- The Gospel -

The gospel must be first (1 Cor.2:2)  
and central (1 Cor.15:3-4)  
in everything we do (Col.2:6),  
because it is central in who we are  
(Col.1:16).

# How?

It all begins with a humbly submitted heart,  
(because of the Gospel, Romans 12:1-2,  
2 Cor 5:17),

followed by being biblically formed  
(Knowing and living the Scriptures, 2nd Tim  
2:15).

# How?

The three main categories of our humanity

1. **thinking** - **Learn**: Cognitive Traits

2. **feeling** - **Love**: Affective Traits

3. **doing** - **Live**: Behavioral Traits



# What is a disciple?

- **Be in Relationship**, loving, knowing obeying Jesus
- Be humbly Submitted and Biblically Formed the rest will follow...

- Pray always
- Keep the Gospel central
- Have a humble teachable heart
- Be Spirit led
- Go to the Word for everything
- Teach what you learn, share life, not just information

# What is a disciple?

- Are you a disciple,
- that makes disciples,
- that makes disciples,...



“The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you;  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,  
And give you peace.”

Numbers 6:24-26 (NKJV)