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(John 14:6) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

(Matthew 28:17-20) And when they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some were doubtful. And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to follow all that I commanded you; and behold. I am with you always, to the end of the age."

(Matthew 7:13-14) Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. For the gate is narrow and the way is constricted that leads to life, and there are few who find it.

<u>Disciple = Apprentice</u>		
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(Acts 2:42-47) They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles. And all the believers were together and had all things in common; and they would sell their property and possessions and share them with all, to the extent that anyone had need. Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.

(Colossians 3:10-11) Put on the new self, which is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created it — a renewal in which there is no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, and free, but Christ is all, and in all.

Imitating Jesus...

1. Starts with the _____ of Christ.

(Philippians 2:3-7) Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility consider one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, as He already existed in the form of God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but emptied Himself by taking the form of a bond-servant and being born in the likeness of men.

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(1 Peter 5:5) Clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because God is opposed to the proud, but He gives grace to the humble.

2. Greets others with the of Christ.

(Romans 15:7 ESV) Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

(1 Peter 4:9) Be hospitable to one another without complaint.

(Hebrews 13:1-2) Let love of the brothers and sisters continue. Do not neglect hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.

3. Shapes others with

of Christ.

(John 6:68-68) As a result of this many of His disciples left, and would no longer walk with Him. So Jesus said to the twelve, "You do not want to leave also, do you?" Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life.

(Colossians 3:16) Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

4. Serves others with the _____ of Christ.

(John 15:12-14) This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that a person will lay down his life for his friends. You are My friends if you do what I command vou.

(1 Peter 4:10) As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the multifaceted grace of God.

5. Stays committed by the _____ of Christ.

(Colossians 3:12) So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so must you do also.

(Ephesians 4:29-32) Be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.

All Scripture is NASB unless otherwise noted.