

“Follow My Teaching”
John 8:31

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Then Jesus said to those Judeans who had believed him, “If you continue to follow my teaching, you are really my disciples”

1. What does it mean to “really be Jesus’s disciple”?

Not All Belief Is Real

Verse 30

“While he was saying these things, many people believed in him”

Creating Faith And Sustaining Faith

John 20:31

“But these are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name”

Real Disciples

Verse 24

“I told you that you will die in your sins. For unless you believe that I am he, you will die in your sins.”

God’s Wrath

John 1:29

“On the next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”

John 10:15

“I lay down my life for the sheep”

John 3:36

“The one who believes in the Son has eternal life. The one who rejects the Son will not see life, but God’s wrath remains on him”

Saved From Sin

2. What is Jesus referring to by the phrase “my teaching”?

John 20:31

These are recorded (all this teaching is recorded) so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name”

All Jesus’s Teachings Reveal Him

Knowing Jesus Through His Teaching

3. What does it mean to “follow” that teaching?

Verse 31

“If you continue to follow my teaching, you are really my disciples”

In the influence of the truth being taught

You value the treasure of it

You become peaceful

You find grace and power

You are nourished by it

You are refreshed

You are illuminated by its light.

4. What does it mean to "continue" in his teaching?

5. How is “continuing in his teaching” and "really being his disciple” connected to each other?

What does this have to do with me?

If you are real

Pray that the Lord would use today to confirm and strengthen your heart in the teaching of Jesus.

If you are an unbeliever

Pray for the Lord to use today to give life to your spiritually dead soul and give you faith through Jesus.

If you are a pretender

Pray that the Lord will use today to show you what a real follower of Jesus is, wake you up and give you a real spiritual taste for the truth and value and grace and power and illuminating light of Jesus in his teaching words.