

Don't Stop Short: Finish the Call
A Call to Discipleship
Discover Church
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"This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."
John 15:8

Becoming a Disciple of Jesus

1. **Follow** the Master

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." Matthew 4:19

2. **Become** like the Master

"The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher." Luke 6:40

"Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: "If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:25-26

"And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:27

"Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, saying, 'This person began to build and wasn't able to finish.' "Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples." Luke 14:28-33

"Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self? Whoever is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels." Luke 9:23-26

"From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him." John 6:66

3. **Join** the Master

- **Abiding** in Christ
- **Bearing** Fruit
- **Prayer** & The **Bible**
- **Fellowship** & **Worship**
- **Service** & **Evangelism**

4. The **Goal** of the Master

“He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me.” 1 Colossians 1:28-29

“You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.” 2 Timothy 2:1-2

What’s my next step with Jesus?

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8. The _____ of the Master

Scripture: *John 15:8; Matthew 4:19; Luke 6:40; Luke 14:25-33; Luke 9:23-26; John 6:66; 1 Colossians 1:28-29; 2 Timothy 2:1-2*