



**“What you’re devoted to today,
will shape who you become tomorrow.”**

**Sticky Statement: Jesus never asked you to make a decision,
he asked you to be his disciple.**

71% of Americans still identify as Christians.

4% of those claiming Christianity said that they actually practice the way of Jesus.

—Dallas Willard ---“the greatest issue facing the world today is whether or not those who identify as Christians will become disciples, authentic followers of Jesus Christ.”

Disciple = “mathētēs” a learner, an apprentice. One who walks in the steps of another.

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THERE ARE 3 DAILY COMMITMENTS WE NEED TO MAKE IF WE’RE GOING SEE A DISCIPLE-SHIFT TAKE PLACE IN OUR LIVES:

1. A DISCIPLE IS COMMITTED TO FOLLOWING JESUS. V19

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¹³ “Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it.¹⁴ But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.” **Matthew 7:13-14**

“I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. **John 14:6**

The question is not are you a disciple—it's who or what are you a disciple of?

2. A DISCIPLE IS COMMITTED TO BEING CHANGED BY JESUS. V19-22

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Being close to Jesus changes YOU! How much time are you willing to spend with Jesus?

Let me give you 3 ways to spend more time with Jesus everyday:

- Start a (S.O.A.P) bible reading plan through the gospels.
- Daily pick a time, and place to stop, be still and pray. (Psalm 46:10)
- Keep your heart and mind saturated on Jesus through Worship.

One way this week I will commit to spending time with Jesus is ...

3. A DISCIPLE IS COMMITTED TO THE MISSION OF JESUS. V19-20

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Do The Word: Matthew 4:19

“... Come, and follow me and I will make you fishers of men.”

Reflect on your life right now as a disciple of Jesus: Circle what best describes your spiritual life in each area.

- “Follow me”- Am I someone who follows Jesus?

No one tells me what to do----I have good days & bad days but I try to follow--
----I am sold out and committed to following Jesus every moment of my day.

- “And I will make you...” Is Jesus changing me?

I am no different than I was before Jesus----I seem to take 3 steps forward & 2 steps backwards. ---- It's becoming a habit for me to lay down my life and agenda for Jesus and allow him to change me.

- “Fishers of men.” At what level am I committed to the mission of Jesus?

I don't give up time or resources to the mission of Jesus-----I know I should step up but haven't -----I am sold out and using my time and resources regularly to make disciples.
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