

WHO ARE YOU FOLLOWING?

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As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." (Matthew 4:18-19)

1. Start with **worship**.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. (Matthew 6:9)

2. Fully **surrender**.

*Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
(Matthew 6:10 KJV)*

A healthy prayer life starts with humility!

3. **Depend** on Him.

Give us today our daily bread. (Matthew 6:11)

*So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.
(Matthew 6:31-34)*

4. **Forgive**.

*And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
(Matthew 6:12)*

For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins. (Matthew 6:14-15)

"At this the servant fell on his knees before him. 'Be patient with me,' he begged, 'and I will pay back everything.' The servant's master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go. Then the master called the servant in. 'You wicked servant,' he said, 'I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?' In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. "This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart." (Matthew 18:21-35)

5. **Walk** away from evil.

*And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.
(Matthew 6:13)*

When tempted, no one should say, "God is tempting me." For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. (James 1:13-14)

This prayer is the outline of the life of a healthy disciple.

