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“We confess that, although our Church is Orthodox as far as her doctrine of grace is concerned, we are no longer sure that we are members of a Church which follows its Lord. We must therefore attempt to



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recover a true understanding of the mutual relation between grace and discipleship. The issue can no longer be evaded. It is becoming clearer every day that the most urgent problem besetting our Church



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*is this: How can we live the
Christian life in the modern
world?"*

Matthew 28:19 (NKJV) – “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.”

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WHAT IS A DISCIPLE?

Luke 5:11 (NKJV) - “So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.”

Luke 5:27, 28 (NKJV) - “After these things He went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax office. And He said to him, ‘Follow Me.’ So he left all, rose up, and followed Him.”

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Followers of Christ Willingly:

1. Abandon and all that would hinder following Christ.

Luke 9:23 (NKJV) – “Then He said to them all, ‘If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.’”

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Followers of Christ Willingly:

1. Abandon and and all that would hinder following Christ.
2. Identify with and participate in His sufferings.

“Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, that someone said to Him, ‘Lord, I will follow You, wherever You go.’ And Jesus said to him, ‘Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.’ Then He said to another, ‘Follow Me.’ But he said, ‘Lord let me first go and bury my father.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God.’ And another also said, ‘Lord, I will follow You,

Luke 9:57-62 (NKJV)

but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my home.’ But Jesus said to him, ‘No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.’”

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Followers of Christ Willingly:

1. Abandon and and all that would hinder following Christ.
2. Identify with and participate in His sufferings.
3. Eliminate all excuses, roadblocks, procrastinations, and relationships standing in the way.



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“Only he who believes is obedient, and only he who is obedient believes.”

Hebrews 5:8 (NKJV) - “Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered.”

“Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, ‘Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?’ So Jesus said to him, ‘Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments. Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.’ And he said, ‘All these things I have from my youth.’ So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, ‘You

Luke 18:18-22 (NKJV)

still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven, and come, follow Me.””

Luke 18:18-22 (NKJV)

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Followers of Christ Willingly:

4. Take definitive action to follow Jesus.

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