

DISCIPLESHIP

REVIEW

Last time we ended with a challenge to start reading the book of John: how is that going?

What stands out to you about Jesus? Questions? Comments? [Review any homework]

PURPOSE

Establish the standard of following Jesus.

TEACHING TIPS

Questions are geared for them to "get it." Help them wrestle for the answers in Scripture without giving them away.

Acts 11:19-26

What's the difference between disciple & Christian?

"Christ-ian" The "ian" suffix means "like" or "belonging to."
Biblically, a Christian & a disciple are the same!

How many times do you think the word Christian is in the Bible? 3x

How many times do you think the word disciple is in the Bible? over 270x

The rest of this Bible study will focus on what a **disciple** is so we can clearly understand what a **Christian** is.

Mark 1:16-18

How do these fishermen react to Jesus?

Why were they so urgent?

What does Jesus promise them if they follow?

What is a "fisher of men"?

Jesus gave them a new purpose: What is your purpose in life right now?

Luke 9:23-26

Who is Jesus speaking to? "If anyone..." Invitation to discipleship is for all.

What does "deny yourself" mean? Deny sinful desire. God's will vs. My will.

What's an example of something you could deny yourself of?

What does "carry your cross mean? Crucify sin

Can you think of any examples of people who may have "gained the whole world but lost their very self?"

What do you think "ashamed of his words" means?

Luke 14:25-27

Love Christ more than any person

What is your favorite food? Do you love that food & your [Mom] equally?

Of course not! We love our [Mom] so much that, in comparison, it looks like we HATE that food.

**That's how much God wants us to love Him.

Luke 14:28-30

What does building a tower have to do with becoming a disciple? Disciples must 'count the cost' to finish what they start.

Luke 14:31-33

What happens when you fight someone 2x as strong as you?
We never win when we fight against God.
What's one thing you might need to surrender to God?

John 13:34-35

What's the difference between the Old & New Command? Jesus is the standard. Why will others be able to tell a true disciple of Jesus by this kind of love?

Matthew 22:35-38

How can we practice the greatest command? Disciples hold nothing back
How can we practice the 2nd greatest command?
Who is your neighbor? [If time permits: Luke 10:29-37]

Matthew 28:18-20

What does Jesus want everyone to become? Disciples
How would you define "disciple"? Follower, apprentice, student

CONCLUDING QUESTIONS

ROADMAP: must know the starting point before you can reach destination.

Are you a disciple?

Do you want to be one?

Are you willing to come to a church that believes in making disciples?

Who are some people you think might be interested in becoming disciples also?

We have a few more Bible studies that we believe will equip you to make the decision to be a disciple of Jesus.

DISCIPLESHIP: FURTHER STUDY [CAN BE GIVEN AS HOMEWORK]

Matthew 7:21-23 We must do the will of God to go to heaven.

Luke 5:1-11 Simon Peter being called to be a disciple.

Luke 11:1-4 We learn to live our spiritual life from imitating Jesus.

1 Corinthians 11:1 We imitate Christ-like characteristics in others.

1 John 2:3-6 We must walk as Jesus did.

Matthew 22:35-38 Two greatest commands: Relationship with God & others.