

What is a disciple?

What does a disciple do?

In Part 1 we see that a disciple is someone who is deeply committed to following Jesus and becoming like him – i.e. “If anyone would come after me he must deny himself take up his cross and follow me.” As you look at the following passages, answer the question, “What did Jesus actually want his disciples to do?”

DISCIPLES ARE COMMITTED TO . . . JESUS’ WORDS

Your Observations	Your Questions	More Verses
What does Jesus say?	What do you think it means?	What is unclear?
		Optional
John 8.31-32		John 15.4-7 Luke 6.47-49
John 14.21-24		Luke 6.46 John 13.17
John 6.53-56, 63, 67-68		Matthew 4.4 Deuteronomy 8.3

- The Greek word translated “continue” or “abide” in John 8.31, is defined by *Thayer’s Greek Definitions*, “to remain, abide, tarry; not to depart; to continue to be present; to be held or kept continually.” How do you think one would do this to Jesus’ words?

DISCIPLES ARE COMMITTED TO . . . EACH OTHER

Your Observations <i>What does Jesus say?</i>		Your Questions <i>What is unclear?</i>	More Verses <i>Optional</i>
John 13.34-35 & 15.12-13	♦ <i>What do you think it means?</i>		John 13.12-17 John 17.20-23 1John 4.21
Matthew 20.25-28			Mark 10.42-45
Mark 3.31-35			Matthew 12.46-50

- How is John 13.34-35 a “new commandment”? What is new about it?

DISCIPLES ARE COMMITTED TO . . . THE WORLD

Your Observations <i>What does Jesus say?</i>		Your Questions <i>What is unclear?</i>	More Verses <i>Optional</i>
John 15.8,16	♦ <i>What do you think it means?</i>		Romans 7.4
Mark 1.17			Matthew 4.19 Luke 5.10
Acts 1.8			Matthew 28.28-20

- **What do you think Jesus means by fruit in John 15?**

What Should I Do?

How can I apply this to my life?

- **In Acts 2.42-47 the early disciples attempted to apply to their own lives what Jesus had required of his disciples while on earth. How did they attempt to...**
 - **abide/continue in Jesus word**
 - **commit to fellowship and laying down their lives for each other**
 - **reach out to the world and bear fruit**
- **Which of these three commitments that Jesus required of his disciples are you strongest in? In which are you weakest?**
- **Is there something about your life God would have you change (actions, attitude, etc.)?**

Other Resources

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- **Walt Henrichsen - Commitment to Training**