

DISCIPLESHIP

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“Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.”
1 Corinthians 11:1

I. GROW UP AND _____.

Matthew 16:24 *“Then Jesus said to His disciples, ‘If anyone would come after Me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.’”*

“We talk about the joys and comforts of salvation; Jesus Christ talks about taking up the cross and following Him.” — Oswald Chambers

A. Jesus is our _____.

John 5:19 *“I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by Himself; He can do only what He sees His Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.”*

“Salvation is free, but discipleship costs everything we have.”
— Billy Graham

Philippians 2:6-8 *“Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled himself and became obedient to death — even death on a cross!”*

B. The first disciples were _____.

Matthew 4:19,20,22 *“‘Come, follow Me,’ Jesus said, ‘and I will make you fishers of men.’ At once they left their nets and followed Him . . . and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed Him.”*

II. HOW DO I BECOME A _____?

A. _____ to your leaders.

Hebrews 13:17 *“Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you.”*

“A disciple is a person who learns to live the life his teacher lives. And gradually he teaches others to live the life he lives.”

— Juan Carlos Ortiz

B. Be _____.

1 Corinthians 4:17 *“For this reason I am sending you Timothy, my son whom I love, who is faithful in the Lord. He will remind you of my way of life in Christ Jesus, which agrees with what I teach everywhere in every church.”*

“Every disciple needs a father, brother and son in the faith.”
— Josh Whitney

C. _____ other disciples.

Philippians 3:17 *“Join with others in following my example, brothers, and take note of those who live according to the pattern we gave you.”*

“The Christian life is caught, not taught.” — Bill Young

III. HOW DO I _____ DISCIPLES?

Matthew 28:19 *“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”*

“Jesus had a pattern for forming disciples. He gave His own disciples concrete things to do instead of things to store away in their brains. And they obeyed Him.” — Juan Carlos Ortiz

A. _____ yourself.

2 Timothy 2:2 *“And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others.”*

Philippians 4:9 *“Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me — put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.”*

B. Sow _____.

Luke 8:15 *“But the seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop.”*

C. _____ and then die!

Mark 10:42-45 *“Jesus called them together and said, ‘You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.’”*

Hebrews 6:10 *“God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them.”*

Next week: We continue our *Grow Up* series with part six: *Finance*.