

Make a Move There's a Bridge to Cross

What is a disciple of Jesus Christ?

1. A disciple is someone who has entered into a personal relationship with Jesus.
2. A disciple is someone who follows Jesus. Mark 8:34
3. A disciple is someone who connects to God's Word and obeys it. John 14:15; 8:31,32
4. A disciple is someone who is empowered by the indwelling Holy Spirit. John 16:7
5. A disciple is someone who produces God-driven fruit. John 15:8

What does it mean for us to make disciples?

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations" Matthew 28:19

- The word "Go" clearly indicates that we must take intentional steps of action.
- Position yourself to take full advantage of disciple-making opportunities.

"baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit" Matthew 28:19

- Through baptism, a new believer expresses openly their decision to follow Jesus.

"teaching them to observe all that I commanded you" Matthew 28:20

- Everything God teaches us can and should be passed on to someone else.
- Don't disqualify yourself: You can share about your authentic encounter with God.

Steps you can take to partner with Jesus in making disciples:

1. Discover how your special gifting contributes to connecting people to Jesus. Eph. 4:16
2. Draw people into healthy God-centered environments of community.
3. Evaluate your influence: Intentionally breathe Truth into the life of another believer.

Further Study and Pondering:

1. Do you think there is a difference between being a Christian and being a disciple?
2. Evaluate: To what degree are the 5 indicators of a disciple apparent in your life?
3. The "Go" factor of the Great Commission. Matt. 28:19 In what ways have you positioned yourself to take full advantage of disciple-making opportunities?
4. Keep working on memorizing key Gospel passages and practicing your testimony.
5. **Discipleship 101:** Assurance - 1 John 5:11-13; Holiness/Forgiveness - 1 John 1:5-2:2; Filling of Spirit - Eph. 3:16,17; 5:18; Walk in Spirit - Gal. 5:16-26; Prayer - Luke 11:1-13; Bible - 2 Tim. 3:16,17; Heb. 4:12; Fellowship - Acts 2:42-47; Heb. 10:24,25; Witness - Acts 1:8; Col. 4:2-6; Surrender - Mark 8:34-38; Rom. 12:1,2; Great Commission - Matt. 28:19,20; Luke 24:45-49
6. **Prayer:** Ask God to lead you to someone that you can spiritually build into.

Your commitment to making disciples is unstoppable!

Matthew 28:18-20