



What Does a Disciple of Jesus Look Like?

A Partial Profile of a Disciple of Jesus, Growing, & Multiplying

A disciple is someone who...

Believes that Jesus is who He said He is and has done what he said he has done (John 1:12-13; 14:6; 1 John 5:1), and that God has demonstrated His own love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us (Rom. 5:8).

Believes that they have been born again by God's Spirit (John 3), into God's family as His child (John 1:12-13), and is now a new creature in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17), with a new identity (Eph. 1:3-6, 1 John 3:1-2), and a new purpose (Acts 1:8; 1 Cor. 10:31).

Believes that they are now indwelt by God's Spirit (Rom. 8:9), who empowers us for obedience (Rom. 8:12-13), and seals us for the day of redemption (Eph. 1:13-14; 4:3).

Confesses their sins knowing that Jesus' death is sufficient to forgive us and cleanse us of all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9-10)

Loves God because He first loved us (1 John 4:19)

Chooses to deny themselves and take up their cross daily to follow Jesus (Luke 9:23), knowing that Jesus is a better treasure than anything else we can obtain in this world (Matt. 13:44-46).

A growing disciple is someone who...

Feeds regularly on God's Word for spiritual nourishment (1 Pet. 2:1-2), knowing God's Spirit uses the truth of God's Word (2 Thess. 2:13) to equip us for every good work (2 Tim. 3:16-17), and transform us from the inside out (Rom. 12:1-2; 1 Thess. 2:13)

Grows in the grace and knowledge of God (2 Peter 3:18) and a passion for His glory (1 Cor. 10:31) that results in greater faith, hope, & love (Col. 1:3-6; 1 Thess. 1:3-5), greater victory over sin (Rom. 6-8), and greater obedience to God's Word (James 1:22-25).



Focuses on becoming more like Jesus (Rom. 8:29) as evidenced by the increasing consistency of the fruit of the Spirit in their life (Gal. 5:22-23).

Prays at all times (1 Thess. 5:17), about everything (Eph. 6:18) so that God's kingdom would come and His will would be done (Matt. 6:9-13).

A disciple who makes other disciples is someone who...

Invests their God-given talents, resources, knowledge, & gifts in love (1 Cor. 12-14) to serve the Body of Christ and to advance God's kingdom (Matt. 25; Rom. 12:4-10; Eph. 4:11-16) with the strength God supplies to the glory of God (1 Pet. 4:10-11).

Believes that Jesus has given them a responsibility to share the good news of the gospel with others (Matt. 28:18-20; Rom. 1:14-17), and trusts the Lord to empower them by His Holy Spirit to be a witness for him (Acts 1:8).

Builds relationships through loving others with the love of Christ (Eph. 5:2), and prays for opportunities to share the good news with others (Col. 4:2-4).

Shares the good news of Jesus with others (1 Thess. 1:8-10), and is able to give a reason for the hope that they have (1 Pet. 3:15)

Mentors or trains others by entrusting the good news of Jesus to others by example, instruction, and guidance (2 Tim. 2:2; 3:10-15).