



Membership † **Discipleship** † Leadership

John 13:34-35 *"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."*

I am a disciple of \_\_\_\_\_.

A follower of Jesus Christ who studies the scriptures and diligently seeks to comply with what God commands. Jesus said *"If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed."* (John 8:31)

## "In Loving Memory"

† Proverbs 4:7 *"Wisdom is the principal thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding"*

All across the nation, some extraordinary men and women have fought and died to protect our freedom. To honor the sacrifices that these men and women have made for our country, a federal holiday has been reserved to remember and reverence those who have fought and died for the freedom that we so often take for granted. Instead of reflecting on the memory of fallen soldiers, we have become consumed with sale ads, fireworks and leisure activities. You can find pleasure in all of the events that will take place in celebration of their memorial. However, the lives that were sacrificed are worthy of remembering. They are our family, friends and heroes. As we remember them, it's vital that we also remember and reverence our Savior Jesus Christ and the finished work of Calvary! We value the purpose of establishing memorials in our lives. It teaches future generations the struggles of past and present generations. *Narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it* (Mt. 7:14). As a disciple, you have a responsibility to teach, to demonstrate and to exemplify the life of Jesus Christ. *"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates"* (Deut. 6:6-9). *The crucifixion and the cross at Calvary should be a spiritual memorial within the hearts of every believer.*

The Holy Spirit prompts you to want to make a difference in your life and the life of another. If you have the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, your life should reflect refulgence. *Now the Lord is the Spirit and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty* (2 Cor. 3:17). We must take time to reflect on the freedom and liberty that we have. *The Spirit of the LORD is upon us. He has anointed us to preach the gospel, heal the brokenhearted, proclaim liberty to those captive, recover sight to the blind, liberate those who are oppressed and proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD* (Is. 61:1-2; Lk. 4:18-19).

† Romans 12:2 “... *be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*”

By establishing and maintaining a spiritual memorial within our heart, we'll share the good news of Jesus Christ so that others will receive salvation (Lk. 6:45). The blood that was shed by Jesus Christ on Calvary was for our redemption, restoration and victory over the attacks of the enemy. He gets the glory for the life that He has given us and we should honor Him by living a life that is pleasing to Him. We must live a life of purpose that will leave an honorable legacy. Proverbs 13:22 tells us that a good man leaves an inheritance for his children's children. This helps us understand that we must continually think beyond where we are today. Leaving a legacy is beyond “*Life Insurance*” and a “*Last Will and Testament*”. Although those should also be put in place to ensure security and stability for your family, leaving a memorable legacy of good reputation and spiritual impartation is necessary.

Building a memorial reminds us of the many victories that we had with the help of God. We must tell others what the Lord has done to deliver us as a testament to what He can do for them. Share what you've seen, heard and what was spoken. Isaiah 50:4 says “*The Lord God has given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him who is weary. He awakens me morning by morning; He awakens my ear to hear as the learned.*” People should be able to learn from the lessons you've lived. Remember the woman with the alabaster box? The disciples were being indignant and some were criticizing her for her actions towards Jesus. As disciples, we don't get it right every time but we must take heed to the voice of our Lord to make it right. Jesus said “*Why do you trouble the woman? For she has done a good work for Me....For in pouring this fragrant oil on My body, she did it for My burial. Assuredly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be told as a memorial to her.*” (Mt. 26:6-13; Mk. 14:3-9). This week, think of how you want to be remembered!

† Psalm 119:11 “*Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You.*”

Day/ Week of	Daily Reading	Which Bible verse had the most impact?
Monday <input type="checkbox"/>	Isaiah 10-12	
Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/>	Isaiah 13-15	
Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/>	Isaiah 16-18	
Thursday <input type="checkbox"/>	Isaiah 19-21	
Friday <input type="checkbox"/>	Isaiah 22-24	
Saturday <input type="checkbox"/>	Isaiah 25-27	
Sunday <input type="checkbox"/>	Isaiah 28-30	

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