



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)

"Making Disciples"

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

_____ therefore and _____ disciples of _____ the nations. (_____ 28:___)

Know your audience (critics and consultants)

Who's around you has less value than who is within you. He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world (1 Jn. 4:4). As a disciple, it's imperative that we know who God has placed in our life to be an audience for what He's doing in our life. We should never feel intimidated or inferior when doing the work of the Lord. Nor is it an opportunity to be impressive. Your reputation is based on your relationship with your Heavenly Father (Phil. 2:5-7). Some people want to know you but don't want to know your God. Disciples are appointed to go out and make other disciples not necessarily friends. It requires participation from the unbeliever. If they don't reach their full potential, they'll blame you for their shortcomings. You must know what God has called you to do concerning the individual. We have a responsibility to help others discover who they are in Christ Jesus. 2 Timothy 4:2 says preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage —with great patience and careful instruction. Everyone can share the good news of Jesus Christ. You don't need a pulpit to do so!

Some will receive you and some will not. Do not be discouraged when you're not received by some. *"Whoever will not receive you nor hear you, when you depart from them, shake off the dust under your feet as a testimony against them"* (Mk. 6:11). You must remind them that they can do all things through Christ (Phil 4:13) not through you. We are nothing without Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:16-19 says *"Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation."* Don't count anyone out! God reconciles all to Him!

† 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.”

Know your assignment (commitments)

Do you often wonder what your purpose is in life? We all have a personal purpose which we were uniquely created to accomplish. Matthew 20:20 confirms that disciples are to teach others to observe all that Jesus commands from us. We have a God-given responsibility and we must be committed to lead others to Christ and help them mature spiritually so they can strengthen their personal relationship with God. Our assignment is to make disciples. You may not think the seed that you planted took root. You may not have been present to water it or witness the transformation. Some plant, some water, but we trust God to give the increase (1 Cor. 3:5). Therefore, we must first be good models of discipleship. Everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher (Lk. 6:40b). It’s not about expanding church membership. It’s about building kingdom discipleship. Every member must come into the full knowledge of the biblical principles that develop disciples. *Obtaining through the Word, retaining through Love!*

Know your affiliation (connections)

Stay connected with Christ and He’ll make the discipleship connections. Sometimes we connect with others for a spiritual assignment and we make it a personal assignment. When it becomes personal we lose focus and could potentially lose a soul. Don’t lose sight of what God has called you to do. John confessed “I am not the Christ” (Jn. 1:20). You can’t allow people to put you in positions that God did not call you to. Always remember that you have a friend in Jesus (Prov. 18:24). Don’t force friendship when you were assigned to them for discipleship. People will manipulate you and you’ll be bound by a relationship that was not ordained by God. They tried to put titles/ positions on John but he made it clear to all that he understood his position (Jn. 1:21-27). We have to make it clear as well that we are not the Christ. God gets all the Glory!

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

Day/ Week of	Daily Reading	What verse had the most impact?
Monday <input type="checkbox"/>	Proverbs 16-18	
Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/>	Proverbs 19-21	
Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/>	Proverbs 22-24	
Thursday <input type="checkbox"/>	Proverbs 25-27	
Friday <input type="checkbox"/>	Proverbs 28-31	
Saturday <input type="checkbox"/>	Ecclesiastes 1-3	
Sunday <input type="checkbox"/>	Ecclesiastes 4-6	

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