

Making Disciples

“What is a Disciple”

Matthew 4:18-20

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Introduction:

- **Matthew 28:18-20**
 - Greek – **Matheteuo** (Math-A-Two-O) ... English – Disciple ... means, ... “To be or become a pupil ... follow the teachings of ... to learn.”
 - Dictionary.com says ... **Disciple** – A person who is a pupil or adherent of the doctrines and teachings of another person.
 - **Matthew 4:18-20**
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1. Come, Follow Me:

- To be a Disciple in the 1st Century, meant real sacrifice. It meant submitting yourself to the Leadership of Jesus.
- I want you to listen to this statement closely ... “All disciples are Christians, but not all Christians are disciples. And that is a sad fact, but it is true.”
- Matthew 16:24-27**
- What does that look like for you and me on this side of the cross?
- “Deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”
 - Luke 9:23**
 - Matthew 10:37**
- Remember ... “All disciples are Christians, but not all Christians are disciples. This is a sad fact, but it is true.”
- “Whoever wants to save his life will lose it, whoever loses his life for me, will find it.”
 - Matthew 28:18-20**
 - When you are a disciple of Jesus Christ, you give up who you are and you now find your identity in Christ.
- Remember ... “All disciples are Christians, but not all Christians are disciples. This is a sad fact, but it is true.”
- “What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul?”
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2. I will make You!

- Isaiah 64:8**
- I can think of people that God put in my life to help mold me and shape me into a useable vessel for His Kingdom.

- c. You have people as well. I encourage you to say something to them, and let them know what they mean to you.
- d. Doing this will accomplish three things:
 - i. It lets them know what they are doing matters.
 - ii. It shows them that God is using them in a way, maybe they didn't know.
 - iii. It will encourage them to go deeper in their own walk with Christ.
- e. Remember ... "All disciples are Christians, but not all Christians are disciples. This is a sad fact, but it is true."

3. Fishers of Men:

- a. **Matthew 4:18-20**
- b. He gives me a new and more important role in life.
- c. Are you taking your role as a disciple serious enough?
- d. Remember ... "All disciples are Christians, but not all Christians are disciples. This is a sad fact, but it is true."

