

# Are You a Disciple? *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 1<sup>st</sup> 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**

- a. **Isaiah 64:8**
- b. 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."