



WHAT IS A DISCIPLE

A Disciple Is On Mission With Jesus - 1/26/2020

OVERVIEW

Being a disciple of Jesus means that we are on mission with Him. He had a mission, a motivation and a response that required intentionality. Jesus was motivated by love. The ultimate display of His love toward us was His obedience to His Father by laying down His life for us on the cross. Do people describe you as one who is motivated by love because of your responses or the way that you interact with other people? In the spirit of stepping into being a disciple of Jesus, ask the question of yourself, “Who do You want me to LOVE today?”

Scripture (ESV unless otherwise noted): Mark 1:17, 12:30-31; Luke 4:16-21 (NIV), 9:51; Matthew 4:23, 9:36-38; John 3:16-17, 13:34-35, 15:12-13

APPLICATION

- What motivates you? Is it success, fame, food, family, adventure, or (fill in the blank)? Why?
 - This week we talked about ‘being on mission’ to spread the good news. Often, we internally look at this as a duty, a responsibility or a to-do. When it comes to loving others and spreading the good news, how have you experienced these feelings in your own life?
 - Jesus’ motivation has always been love. How do we go from feelings of duty or responsibility to love for the spreading of the good news and being on mission?
 - Genuine love requires intentionality. How can you respond in love this week? What needs to change in you?
 - Homework: Psalm 51:10 says, “Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.” We can’t simply change our motivation on our own. We need God to change our hearts and then we need to be intentional. This week spend some time every day praying for God to change your heart to a heart of genuine love for others—a heart that shows others the good news by the way you live your life.
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