

Hebrews 10:24-25 *And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.*

2 Timothy 4:2 *Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.*

2 Timothy 3:16 *All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*



MIDWEEK SERVICE | THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

Disciples Accept Requirements V

Luke 9:61-62 *And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house. 62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.*

- We can't **reach** people with the truth if we are not **committed** to the truth in our own lives.
- A disciple is one who will accept the requirements of being a disciple that are set forth in scripture.

REVIEW

1. The Requirement of Understanding

Luke 14:27 *And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, **cannot be my disciple.***

- The basic understanding a potential disciple is required to comprehend is that **there is a difference between being a disciple and being a believer.**

2. The Requirement of Christlikeness

1 Peter 2:21 *For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, **leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:***

1 John 2:6 *He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, **even as he walked.***

- The life of being a disciple is the life of being like Christ.

NEW LESSON

3. The Requirement of Maturity

Luke 6:40 *The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is perfect shall be as his master.*

- Like being a disciple, spiritual maturity is a _____ where we will become more and more mature over time.

What keeps a believer from becoming a disciple that will mature?

- Because they are not _____.

2 Peter 3:14 *But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen*

- Because they do not want to _____.

Hebrews 5:12 *For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat.*

- Because they are not _____.

Hebrews 5:13-14 *For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. 14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

- Because they are _____.

1 Corinthians 3:1-3 *And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. 2 I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able. 3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men.*

- Because they respond incorrectly to _____.

James 1:2-4 *My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; 3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.*

4 *But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.*

- The way a disciple matures is by _____ in their faith.

How do we do grow in our faith?

- _____.

1 Peter 2:2 *As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby.*

Jeremiah 15:16 *Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O Lord God of hosts*

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Psalm 1:1-3 *Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. 2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. 3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.*

Psalm 119:97 *O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day.*

Psalm 119:113 *I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love.*

Psalm 119:163 *I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love.*

Jeremiah 15:16 *Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O Lord God of hosts*

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Joshua 1:7-8 *Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. 8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.*

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