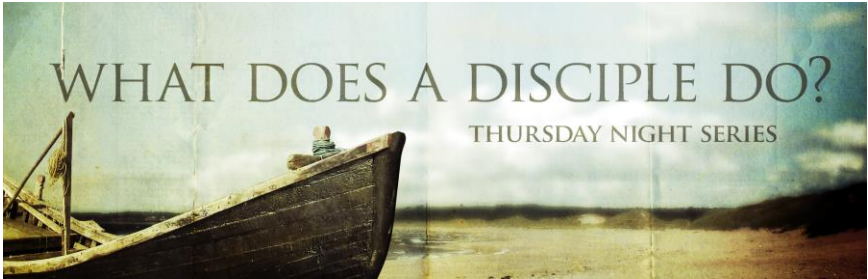


LESSON #3



Disciples Step Up

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Luke 14:26-33 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

- Based on what Jesus said about what it means to be his disciple, a disciple is: **“One who puts into practice and does what He says, and is willing to make the sacrifices it takes and be what He wants.”**
- Jesus did not just want us to **only be disciples**, he wants us to be disciples who are _____.

2 Tim 2:2 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

- The key word in discipleship is _____!
- **Our Step #1 is Loving God.**

1. Start with _____

a. It's the starting point in your _____ with God.

- It starts with the _____ Jesus.

John 1:1 In the beginning was the **Word**, and the Word was **with God**, and the Word was **God**.

- This teaches us that Jesus is _____.
- This teaches us about the _____.
- This teaches us about His _____.

John 1:14 And the Word was **made flesh**, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

- This teaches us about His _____.

John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power **to become the sons of God**, even to them that believe on his name:

John 3:3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

b. It's the foundation of your _____ life on earth.

- Salvation is not the **end** of the matter; it is the _____.
- Inside the package of salvation is the _____ to transform us to a new life.

2 Cor. 5:17 Therefore if any man be **in Christ**, he is a **new creature**: old things are passed away; behold, **all things are become new**.

Eph. 2:10 For we are his **workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Rom. 6:6-7 Knowing this, that our **old man** is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve

sin. 7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.

Luke 8:26-39 And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is over against Galilee. 27 And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and ware no clothes, neither abode in any house, but in the tombs. 28 When he saw Jesus, he

cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God most high? I beseech thee, torment me not. 29 (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.) 30 And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him. 31 And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep. 32 And there was there an herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they besought him that he would suffer them to enter into them. And he suffered them. 33 Then went the devils out of the man, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the lake, and were choked. 34 When they that fed them saw what was done, they fled, and went and told it in the city and in the country. 35 Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid. 36 They also which saw it told them by what means he that was possessed of the devils was healed. 37 Then the whole multitude of the country of the Gadarenes round about besought him to depart from them; for they were taken with great fear: and he went up into the ship, and returned back again. 38 Now the man out of whom the devils were departed besought him that he might be with him: but Jesus sent him away, saying, 39 Return to thine own house, and shew how great things God hath done unto thee. And he went his way, and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done unto him.

c. It's the enabler of _____ to God.

Rom. 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

- That begins with the step of obedience in _____.

- Salvation is not the **final step of salvation**; it is simply the _____ **step of obedience after salvation.**

Acts 8:34-38 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man? 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus. 36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain

water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? 37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. 38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

- These verses teach us two things about baptism;
 - It's _____ salvation.
 - It is by _____.

Matt. 28:19-20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

d. It's the _____ of eternity in heaven.

- The only thing more assuring than **being saved** is _____ **without a doubt** that you are saved.

John 3:16-18 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but **have everlasting life**. 17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. 18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

1 John 5:11-13 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. 13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

