

## Disciple

### One Key Question

⇒ \_\_\_\_\_ ...

To \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_?

Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. . . . But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. (Matthew 7:24, 26)

# message notes

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### The Decision

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*What Is A Mathetes?*

1) The \_\_\_\_\_ Of \_\_\_\_\_ ...

Was \_\_\_\_\_.

They said to him, "John's disciples often fast and pray, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours go on eating and drinking." (Luke 5:33)

2) All \_\_\_\_\_ ...

Are \_\_\_\_\_.

The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch. (Acts 11:26)

3) The \_\_\_\_\_ Of \_\_\_\_\_ ...  
Is \_\_\_\_\_.

The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher. (Luke 6:40)

The mission of a rabbi was to become a living example of what it means to apply God's Word to one's life. A disciple apprenticed himself to a rabbi because the rabbi had saturated his life with Scripture and had become a true follower of God. The disciple sought to study the text, not only of Scripture but of the rabbi's life, for it was there that he would learn how to live out the Torah. Even more than acquiring his master's knowledge, he wanted to acquire his master's character, his internal grasp of God's law.

(Ann Spangler and Lois Tverberg, *Sitting at the Feet of Jesus*)

4) \_\_\_\_\_ ...  
\_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_.

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him. (Matthew 4:18-20)

As the crowd heard Jesus' message they were called to make a personal decision, either for him or against him. When a person made a personal decision to believe in Jesus, that one would come out of the crowd to be a disciple of Jesus. Making disciples from out of the crowd was the object of Jesus' ministry in Israel (Mt. 9:35-38).

(Michael J. Wilkins, *Following the Master*)