

# BECOMING DISCIPLES OF THE LORD

Mat. 28:19-20

1. WHAT IS OUR GOAL IN REACHING PEOPLE?
  1. To become our followers?
  2. To join our organization?
  3. To make them Christians?
  4. What is a Christian?
  
2. WHAT IS THE WORK OF GOD?
  1. Why are we here doing what we are doing?
  2. I came to do the work of him that sent me.
    1. Decide who sent you.
      1. What motivates you?
      2. Why do you do the things you do?
    2. Decide what his work is.
  
3. WHAT CONSTITUTES THE WORK OF GOD?
  1. Doing good works?
  2. Worshipping God?
  3. Teaching?
  4. Preaching?
  5. Going of TV?
  
4. MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL MEN
  1. Teach all nations.
    1. The task.
      1. Teach - from the Greek word *mathleus*, meaning to disciple.

2. Means to not only learn, but to become attached to one's teacher and to become his follower in doctrine and conduct of life.
2. Scope - in all the world.
2. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I command you-- from Greek word *didasho*, meaning to instruct by word of mouth.
3. A disciple is a disciplined one.
  1. Life in order.
  2. Life glorifying to God.
  3. Harness of the Lord.
    1. Prepared for service through discipline.
    2. Useful for God's work.

## 5. PROGRAM OF DISCIPLESHIP.

1. Developing the person.
  1. Becoming men and women of God.
  2. Changed nature and character.
  3. Being demonstration to world.
2. Worshipping.
  1. Singing and praising.
  2. Giving.
    1. To meet specific need.
    2. To share with another as an act of love.
    3. To sow a seed for a return.
    4. As a form of worship (II Cor. 13:5) - *"..neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing."*
3. Preparation for ministry (service).
  1. II Tim. 3:17 - *"That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works."*

2. Teaching and preaching helps to prepare us for ministry.

6. CHURCH MUST BE BALANCED.

1. Place for socializing.
2. Place for worship.
3. Place for instruction.
4. Place for service.
5. Must have freedom with structure.

7. MY VISION FOR MEN.

1. Men hold the key.
2. II Tim. 2:2 - *"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."*
3. Men should work on becoming more effective men of God, husbands, and fathers.