



NARROW GATE

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A Disciple is one who puts Christ first by...

- Having a personal relationship with Jesus
- Being held accountable within a small group
- Serving others through acts of love and compassion to build God's Kingdom
- Demonstrating a life of stewardship
- Sharing the Gospel – reproducing Disciples

Maturing in these five dimensions results in a high impact Christian with a Biblical world-view, reproducing to the fourth generation.

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Having a personal relationship with Jesus

A disciple sees and knows Him as a living friend, not just a historical figure. The relationship is personal, not institutional, and it is motivated by how the Disciple can give glory to God in all aspects of their life. By practicing the ***Spiritual Disciplines***, one will come to know Jesus as both ***Savior and Lord***.

John 15:7-9

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Accountability within a small group

Gives others the right to speak into your life as you progress in putting off the “old self.” The Twelve Disciples comprised the first small group because Jesus knew that becoming an *intentional authentic Christian* could not be accomplished in isolation.

Colossians 1:28, Galatians 6:1-2

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Serving others through acts of love and compassion to build God's Kingdom

This is reflected through our *spiritual gifts* as we seek to glorify God. A Disciple will answer the call *to act* for those in need. Jesus came to serve, and as a Disciple, we are compelled to follow His example as we *build the kingdom*.

Mark 10:45, 1 Peter 4:10-11

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Demonstrating a life of Stewardship

A Disciple readily acknowledges that God created the universe and owns it all. Because God owns everything, we acknowledge that we are simply stewards of the gifts of ***time, talent, resources, relationships, and truth***. God gives us enough time to do everything He wants us to do, the talent to serve the Church, the resources to support ministries and to nurture relationships with grace.

Matthew 25:14-29

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Sharing the Gospel – Reproducing Disciples

Sharing the Gospel, modeling a Christ-centered life, and nurturing other Disciples is our fundamental calling from Christ. We are called to share our own ***personal faith journey***, for the purpose of bringing others to Christ. We live our lives reflecting ***authenticity and transparency*** to reflect his Lordship. We ***invest our life in the lives of others*** to help engage, equip and encourage Disciples for Christ. The cycle of Christian life is perpetuated when a Disciple's life is committed to reproducing more Kingdom builders.

Matthew 28:19-20

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What does all of this mean?