

INRODUCTION DISCIPLE PART 2

Disciple 2 Preface

The idea is, from part 5 onwards, that your student themselves start to discover more about walking with God. Beginning with part 5, the lessons will be different. All 8 lessons start with a worksheet. You are meant to give your student the first sheet well in advance, so that they have time to read the texts and to answer the questions. The second part is in greater depth to build upon what the student has discovered. Start each session with the worksheet and then go on to the study. In part 4 we talked about identity.

Ask your student what is beginning to change in their thinking. Is your student more able to focus on Jesus in their daily life? If so, where can the changes be noted?

What is the most important thing Jesus teaches His disciples?

Jesus let the disciples take a look into His life right from the start of His work. He wanted them to be with Him. Relationship with His disciples is an important part of the training. Jesus teaches the disciples that if they get to know Jesus, they automatically get to know the Father. Jesus shows that He wants to be among the people; He talks with them, He eats with them, He goes to them. Especially during the many mealtimes, vital lessons are taught. Jesus reveals that people are very important to God. Not keeping religious laws, but being together and learning together is what matters to God. Jesus demonstrates His love for the Father and the Father's love for the people.

The disciples heard and saw how to live in the Kingdom of God. Jesus gave commands to focus on the God of the Kingdom, how to make contact with Him and how you can live with Him.

My Father shall love him and my Father and I shall come to him and live in him.

John 14:23

In this text we see the core of discipleship. The Father and Jesus love the disciples and want to live in them. This love relationship leads to the disciple demonstrating this by trusting the Father and doing what the Father asks of him. The Father confides in the disciple, He shows the disciple what He wants to do. The Father chooses to work together with His disciple. He also equips the disciple with His Spirit so that he can carry out what the Father shows him.

In the next 8 lessons we will look deeper at how you can get to know the Father, how you can walk with Him and how you can give away what you have been given.

The lessons will be very practical and you will regularly be asked to be actively involved. Only if you are prepared to apply the learned principles in your daily life will your relationship with God become fruitful.

Let us look at the subjects together, read the text and then answer the question. What do we do when we love Jesus?

John 14:15,23 John 15:10



Which 8 commands does Jesus give us and ask us to keep?

Mark 1:15 Matt 28:19 Acts 2:38 John 13:34 Luke 10:27 Matt 7:24 Luke 11:2,9 Matt 10:8 Matt 28:18,19 Matt 26:26-28



Compare these 8 points with the life of the early Church, do you see any similarities? *Acts 2:37-47*

- Write down which points did and did not take place in the early Church.
- In the coming 8 lessons we will get to work with these 8 commands. All the best!
 While studying part 5 we will be reading the book of Acts. Take special notice of how the early Church walked in the Kingdom of God.