

# What Does It Mean To Be A Disciple of Christ? Linked-In, Pt. 1

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**Acts 11:26**, ...*The **disciples** were called **Christians** first at Antioch.*

-The word Christian is used 3 times in the Bible

-The word Disciple is used 281 times in the Bible

## What Does It Mean To Be A Disciple Of Christ?

### 1) Your SOCIAL STATUS Doesn't Matter

**Matthew 4:18**, *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.***

### 2) Your WILLINGNESS To Follow Him Does Matter

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*22 and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed Him.*

### **Following Jesus Means...**

- You Have RESPONDED To Jesus
- You Spend Time With Jesus And HIS FOLLOWERS
- You Learn From Jesus And ABOUT HIM

### **3) Your Purpose In Life COMPLETELY CHANGES**

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### **Being A Disciple Of Christ...**

- **Influences The Way You TALK To Others**

Ephesians 4:29, Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

- **Influences The Way You INTERACT With Others**

Philippians 2:5, In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to His own advantage; 7 rather, He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

- **Influences Your HEART For Others**

**Luke 19:10**, *For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."*

**John 15:8**, *This is to My Father's glory, **that you bear much fruit**, showing yourselves to be My **disciples**.*

### **Next Steps:**

- Compare your life to that of a Biblical Disciple
- Who in your life do you need to influence for the Gospel?
- Commit to read or listen to the Pastor's 21-Day "Linked-In" Daily Devotional that starts Monday, August 12. You can read it or listen to it at: [johnmarkcaton.com](http://johnmarkcaton.com) OR Instagram: [@pastorjohnmarkcaton](https://www.instagram.com/pastorjohnmarkcaton)

