

Discipleship Workshop: Living as Disciples

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DISCIPLES OF JESUS GRAB JOY

The Journey of Discipleship and the Joy of Having a Destination

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Philippians 3:10-14

10 I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

THE PURSUIT OF DISCIPLESHIP

The Pursuit of Discipleship is to **Know Christ!**

For Paul, to know Christ is to know Him through...

1. The Power of His Resurrection
2. Participation in His Sufferings

In contrast to the way we usually think of “knowing Christ”, these two things are **concrete and practical realities**. To know Christ is **gritty and real**.

But How do we get there?

THE BASIC PLAN FOR DISCIPLESHIP

1. Forget What Lies Behind
2. Press On

Apply:

1. What do I need to forget?
 - a. Sins, struggles.
 - b. Former idols: the pursuit of money, fame, pleasure
2. What plans do I need to make?
 - a. Where do I want to be spiritually 10, 20 years from now?
 - b. What obstacles have I been facing that I haven't planned to get around?
 - c. Where am I weakest in my walk with Christ and how can I take steps to get stronger in that area?

DISCIPLES OF JESUS GET OUT THERE

Engaging in Kingdom Work

Luke Friesen

Matthew 28

18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Ephesians 4:11-12

11 And he (Christ) gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,

1. Have a room to loom

2. Have dinner, with the sinner

3. I want Parents to Talk to Adolescents

4. Festivus for the Rest of us