

II. Building a Biblical Definition of Discipleship (Continued)

B. Eight Identifying _____ Of Discipleship.

1. Identifying Mark #1: _____.

a. The Example of Jesus' Love For His Disciples. (John 13-17)

b. The Example of Paul's Love For His Disciples.

1) His disciples in Thessalonica...
*I Thess. 2:7-8-

2) His disciples in Corinth...
*I Cor. 4:14-

*II Cor. 12:15-

3) His disciples in Philippi...
*Phil.1:8-

4) His disciple, Timothy
*II Tim. 1:1-2a -

*II Tim.1:3b -

c. What does it mean to "love"?

1) Love _____ others the _____ of God.
*II Cor.6:5-7-

2) Love _____ to the _____ of others.
*Heb. 6:10 -

3) Love _____ others and causes them to _____.
*Gal. 5:13

4) Love _____ the _____ of others.
*I Pet. 4:8 -

5) Love _____.
*Eph. 4:32-5:2-

6) Love _____.
*I Cor. 13:7-

7) Love _____ for others.
*John 15:13-14-

2. Identifying Mark #2: _____.

a. Discipleship is a spiritual _____ / _____ relationship.

b. The Bible describes a new believer as a spiritual _____.

*John 3:3 -

*I Pet. 2:2 -

*I John 2:12-14 -

c. You can learn a lot about discipleship from looking at the needs of a _____ baby.

1) They need _____.

2) They need _____.

3) They need _____.

4) They need _____.

Quote from Charles Finney, the renowned 19 century evangelist...

"When the hearts of converts are warm with their _____, then is the time to make them fully acquainted with their Savior, to hold Him up in all of His grandeur, so as to break away from all self-independence and to receive Christ as a present, perfect and everlasting Saviour. Unless this course is taken, their _____ is inevitable. You might as well expect to roll back the water of Niagra as to stay the tide of their former _____. Surrounded as they are with temptation, they need a deep, thorough and experiential acquaintance with the Saviour. If they are left to their _____ resources to stand against temptation instead of being directed to the Saviour, they are certain to become discouraged and to fall into _____."

Quote from Sam Jones, the beloved country preacher...

"I never see a poor, weak brother that I don't wish I had nothing else in the world to do but keep him away from temptation and keep him on the straight and narrow way until he gets his feet _____ on the ground. They need _____, they need your help. Oh, what's the use of bringing them into the church if nobody takes _____ of them? My dear brethren, you who are spiritual, _____ the new convert. Stand by him, and do your best for him."

3. Identifying Mark #3: _____.

- a. As a discipler, your responsibility is to set the _____ of what you want your disciple to be. (I Cor. 4:16)
- b. When the discipleship process has been _____, the disciple is going to be _____ the one who disciplined them! (Luke 6:40)
- c. Everything _____ after it's _____!
(Gen 1:11,12,21,24,25)
- d. The I Cor. 11:1 principle...

Note: Your disciple will not just _____ what you _____...
They will _____ what you _____!

- e. Discipleship is not just _____ principles...
It is not just _____ principles...
It is _____ principles...
*I Thess. 1:5 -
*I Thess. 2:10 -
*I Cor. 4:16-17 -

4. Identifying Mark #4: _____ Of One's _____.

- a. What we find in the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ with His disciples is that they were _____ in _____ together. (I John 1:1)
- b. Jesus didn't just share _____ with His disciples, He shared His _____.
- c. Paul exemplified this same principle.
*Col. 1:28-29 -
*I Thess. 2:8 -

Note: Discipleship will cost you your _____! It's a big _____!

5. **Identifying Mark #5:**_____.
- a. The time Jesus spent with His disciples...
 - b. Why so much time?
Because the goal is spiritual _____ (spiritual _____).
For that goal to be realized, it is a _____-_____ process!!
 - c. The 21st Century "discipleship dilemma"...
 - d. Understanding biblical discipleship forces a re-_____ of our _____ and our _____.

6. **Identifying Mark #6:**_____ _____.
- a. Effective discipleship can never take place if you are attempting to work with too many _____ at _____.
 - b. Jesus' plan was _____, and that depends upon spiritually _____, well-_____ disciples. Disciples like that are never _____!
 - c. For discipleship to really be effective, discipleship will need to be _____-_____-, and you must work with only a _____ people at any given time.
 - d. The Tyranny of the Urgent...

7. **Identifying Mark #7:**_____.
- a. An important element of a discipling relationship is being willing to _____ the disciple when he needs _____.

b. A key ingredient missing in most people's understanding of the Great Commission...

*Matt. 28:19-20 -

c. Biblical examples:

*II Tim. 3:16-17 -

*I Cor. 4:14 -

*I Thess. 2:11 -

8. Identifying Mark #8 _____

a. One of the things that made both the Lord Jesus Christ and the Apostle Paul such effective disciples, is they knew _____!

b. This is the importance of the Hab. 2:2 principle...

C. Pulling The _____ Together. (Hab. 2:2)

A BIBLICAL AND FUNCTIONAL DEFINITION OF DISCIPLESHIP

Example
Commitment
Time
Numerical Limitation
Component #1
Direction
Love/Admonition/Guardianship
Component #2
Component #3

Discipleship is the _____
by which a Christian with a
life worthy of _____
commits himself
for an extended period of _____
to another individual
who has been _____ to Christ,
the purpose being to
lovingly aid and _____
their growth to _____ and
equip them to _____ themselves
in a _____ spiritual generation.