

**DISCIPLE
IMPACT SUNDAY**

"The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting, it has been found difficult and left untried." *C.K. Chesterton*

"Christianity without discipleship is always Christianity without Christ."
Deitrich Bonhoeffer

WHAT IS A DISCIPLE OF CHRIST?

A disciple is someone who professes Christ as Savior, who holds to a biblical worldview, who is committed to growing in their understanding of life in God's Kingdom, and to applying that understanding to every aspect of their life.

FOUR REASONS WHY DISCIPLESHIP IS IMPORTANT

1. IT WAS A COMMAND OF CHRIST

"Whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me."
Matt. 10:38 (ESV)

2. IT WAS THE ORDINARY PATTERN OF BELIEVERS

"They were devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." **Acts 2:42 (ESV)**

"Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ" **1 Cor. 11:1 (NKJV)**

3. WE FACE A CRISIS OF CULTURAL HOLINESS

"Salvation apart from obedience is unknown in the sacred scriptures."
— A.W. Tozer

4. IT'S THE PATH BY WHICH GOD TRANSFORMS A LIFE

"God's way is not a matter of mere talk; it's an empowered life."

1 Cor. 4:20 (MSG)

"I tell you a solemn truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains by itself alone. But if it dies, it produces much grain."

John 12:24 (NET)

"Men do not decide their future. They decide their habits and their habits decide their future." – **Unknown**