

# **Discipline**

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## I. Introduction.

- A. Discipline is necessary in the life of a disciple.
- B. The current generation, however, is impatient. (Proverbs 24:27)
- C. 2 Timothy 2.

## II. There is a cost to discipleship and discipling.

- A. The biggest thing about discipline is the discipline of oneself. (Luke 22:27)
- B. The one who serves is greater. (John 13:14)
- C. Jesus even served Judas who he knew would betray Him.

## III. Hardness is what makes us strong in discipline. (James 1:2-8)

- A. A man must trust God in the difficulties.
- B. A man is measured by his loyalty.
- C. It seems like in God's economy we need trials and temptations.

## IV. We are not to become entangled in the affairs of our life. Do not entertain the thought of not going by the rules. (Luke 21:34, Deuteronomy 4:9)

## V. If we are going to disciple others we must wear the pack.

- A. In missions this means that we must live like the people.
- B. We must identify with others.

## VI. Consider what God says and he will help you understand the Bible. (Mark 4:24)

## VII. The Bible teaches about responsibility for our work not merely reward.

- A. We are accountable for making things happen.
- B. We are to call on the Lord to make things happen.
- C. God extended the gospel through unordinary means. (1 Corinthians 15:1-3, Philippians 1)

## VIII. We are to endure all things.

- A. We live life by the power of Jesus Christ. (Galatians 2:20)

B. If we suffer with Him, we will reign with Him. (Philippians 1:29, 1 Peter 5:10, 2:21)

C. We are to be sharp for Jesus.(Isaiah 41:15)

IX. The factors of discipline are things that we can do.

A. We need to memorize Scripture and review it to others.

B. Watch your conversations about things that really do not make that much difference.

C. A tree is known by the fruit it bears.

D. Teach your disciples to RUN from lust.

E. The bottom line of evangelism is repentance.

### **Application questions**

1. Why is hardship an important ingredient for discipline?

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2. How does discipline relate to evangelism and missions?

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3. Which of the speaker's admonitions stood out to you? What is your plan for incorporating that more into your life?

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