

## Being a Disciple of Jesus

### I. What is a disciple? John 8: 31-32

Luke 6:40

a. Definition of a Disciple: Learner, Follower, Pupil, a **Disciplined** follower

Vine's Expository Dictionary: A disciple was not only a pupil, but an adherent hence they are spoken of as imitators of their teacher.

b. Adherent: Follower, **Supporter**; Defender; **Devote**; **Worshiper**; Friend.

c. The idea of a disciple is like that of an apprentice to a master craftsman.

Adam was **God's** apprentice. Joshua was **Moses** apprentice.

**Elisha** was Elijah's apprentice. **Jesus** was God's apprentice.

To be a disciple is to be an apprentice of the Lord.

### II. Difference between a believer and a disciple.

1. Leave **Everything** Luke 5:1-11

a. **Jesus** to leave everything. Phil. 2:5-8

b. Will be rewarded. Phil. 2:9-11. Mark 10:30

2. Must be **Disciplined** 1 Cor. 9:25-27 Athletic Training

3. Must be **Focused** 2 Tim. 2:3-5 Good Soldier

Phil. 3:12-14

### III. Benefits of being a disciple

1. They are given the **Secrets** of the kingdom, **First**.  
Mark 4:10-11; Luke 12:1

2. Given **Authority**. Mat. 10:1; Luke 10:1  
Disciples are used to reap the harvest.

3. **Represent** the Lord. Luke 10:16

4. Receive their reward **First** 2 Tim. 2:6.