

“Growing As True Disciples”

*“To be plainly instructed and consider well
that the main end of your life and studies is to
know God and Jesus Christ.”*



Truth for Christ and the Church

Lux et Veritas
Light and Truth

"The bad news is the university has become godless." Steven Muller

"Things divine have been central neither to my professional nor to my personal life."
- Larry Summers

“Mission Drift”

To develop a vibrant, growing church that is helping to change the world as we disciple our members and equip them to evangelize and disciple others.

Growing True Disciples

Matthew 10:24,25

A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a slave above his master. It is enough for the disciple that he become like his teacher, and the slave like his master.

John 6:60, 66

Therefore many of His disciples, when they heard this said, “This is a difficult statement; who can listen to it?”

As a result of this many of His disciples withdrew and were not walking with Him anymore.

“There are many willful, wayward, indifferent, self-interested Christians who cannot really be classified as followers of Christ. There are relatively few diligent disciples who forsake all to follow the Master.” – Phillip Keller

5 Characteristics of a True Disciple



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1. Worship

“To worship God is to recognize his worth or worthiness; to look God-ward, and to acknowledge in all appropriate ways the value of what we see. The Bible calls this activity ‘glorifying God’ or ‘giving glory to God,’ and views it as the ultimate end, and from one point of view, the whole duty of man.” – J.I Packer

1 Corinthians 10:31

Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

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- 1. Worship**
- 2. Community**

- Love one another – John 13:34,35
- Encourage one another – 1 Thess 5:11
- Pray for – James 5:16
- Serve – 1 Peter 4:10
- Care for – 1 Cor. 12:25
- Be kind to - Eph. 4:32
- Be subject to - Eph. 5:21
- Comfort – 1 Thess. 4:18

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- 3. Scripture**

John 8:31

“If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of mine.”

“If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. (NIV)

Colossians 3:16

Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms *and* hymns *and* spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

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- 4. Service**
- 5. Mission**

Mark 3:14

“He appointed twelve so that they would be with Him and that He could send them out.”

“Discipling others is the process by which a Christian with a life worth emulating commits himself for an extended period of time to a few individuals who have been won to Christ, the purpose being to aid and guide their growth and maturity, and equip them to reproduce themselves in a third spiritual generation.” Allen Hadidian

Acts 2:46,47

Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Are You Growing as a True Disciple?

Worship?

Community?

Scripture?

Service?

Mission?