

Characteristics of a Disciple

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Acts 16:1.

B. There are three main characteristics of a disciple of Jesus Christ.

1. A heart that hungers for God.
2. A heart that is open to learn.
3. A heart that is willing to pay the price for Jesus.

II. Timothy learned to discern the will of God from Paul in the areas that were not clear cut. Learn from someone who knows how to discern the will of God.

III. Timothy learned real motivation—life transformation. He learned this by being with a godly man. (Acts 17; 19:21)

IV. Timothy learned to be a servant.

V. Timothy developed a heart for learning, he showed evidence of being a team man, he had a walk with God that could sustain him, he learned to be a leader through following, he learned by observation and participation, and he showed an inner quality of humility (Luke 22:26)

Application questions:

1. How is Timothy's relationship to Paul valuable for our own growth?

2. Which characteristic conveyed by Timothy stands out to you the most? Why?

3. How can you grow to become a more effective and complete disciple of Jesus? Explain.
