DISCIPLESHIP

WHAT DOES THE ENGLISH WORD DISCIPLE MEAN?

Speakers of English borrowed the word disciple from Latin. The Latin word <u>discipulus</u> means learner, pupil. The old English Word was <u>discipul</u>. The Latin ending <u>us</u> indicates nominative singular

HOW DOES THE LEARNER LEARN?

By the Word of God	Romans 15:4 For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.
2. From Jesus	Matthew 11:29-30 "Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for am gentle and humble in heart; and YOU SHALL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. "For My yoke is easy, and My load is light."
3. By Imitating	Philippians 4:9 The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things; and the God of peace shall be with you.
4. By Suffering	Hebrews 5:8 Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered.
5. From Example	Matthew 5:19 "Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and so teaches others, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.
6. By Being Taught	Philippians 4:9 The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things; and the God of peace shall be with you.
7. By Instruction8. By Reproof	Proverbs 15:32 He who neglects discipline despises himself, But he who listens to reproof acquires understanding.
9. By Repetition	2 Peter 1:12 Therefore, I shall always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been established in the truth which is present with you.
10. From Correction	Proverbs 15:32 He who neglects discipline despises himself, But he who listens to reproof acquires understanding.
11. From Exhortation	Hebrews 3:13 But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called "Today," lest any one of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.
12. From Timely Teaching	John 16:12 "I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

WHAT DOES THE TEACHER NEED?

- 1. A textbook; the Bible
- 2. Experiential knowledge of the part of the Bible the teacher is going to use to teach someone to be a disciple
- 3. A "servant to Lord" relationship with the Author of the Bible

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1 Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore encourage one another, and build up one another, just as you also are doing.

Characteristics of a disciple:

- 1. Continues in His Word John 8:31&32
- 2. Bears Fruit John 15:8
- 3. Loves others John 13:34&35
- 4. Openly Identifies with Christ Luke 14:26
- 5. Obedient Matthew 28:19&20

Areas in which to be Discipled

□ List what you have learned:

2 Timothy 3:14 You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them;

□ Pick your own top ten and categorize them in the following areas taken from Luke 2:52:

Wisdom:	Favor with God:
Stature:	Favor with Man:

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Process

	Timeframe	Tools & Activities
Salvation		
Basics		
Lordship		
Character		
Serve & Suffer Joyfully		

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Personal Choice #1

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		Pick an area where you could use help
		Identify the cost to change
		Identify a person who could help you with this
F	Pers	onal Choice #2
		Identify a person that you can help
		Identify a specific area in which they would like help
		Identify tools that you can use to help them
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Is	And	d therefore He waits on high to have compassion on you.
		the Lord is a God of justice; w blessed are all those who long for Him.

