

The Chapel Family Bible Reading Program – January 14th – 19th
Doing Life Together – 3D - All in Disciple of Jesus

MONDAY:

KEY VERSE: Matthew 28:18-20

OBSERVATION: Jesus did more than attract crowds. He made disciples. Furthermore, He commanded His disciples to make disciples, not just in Israel, but in all the earth. Jesus told them exactly how to make disciples: by baptizing and teaching full obedience to God's Word.

TUESDAY:

KEY VERSE: Luke 14:27-28

OBSERVATION: A disciple is a follower of Christ and in these verses, Jesus makes it clear that if we are to be His disciples, we would have to pay a price to follow Him. Jesus warned His would-be disciples that they should "count the cost" before starting the journey of discipleship.

WEDNESDAY:

KEY VERSE: Matthew 4:19

OBSERVATION: Many foolishly waste their lives following the crowds. Others arrogantly refuse to follow anyone at all and end up going in circles. A true disciple is one who wholeheartedly follows Jesus where He goes. If we want to follow Christ, we have to know what it requires.

THURSDAY:

KEY VERSE: John 15:1,4,5

OBSERVATION: Jesus gave specific instructions to His disciples about remaining in Him. He mentioned the word "remain" eleven times in the first ten verses of John 15. When we remain in Jesus, we will be pruned. Pruning is a process that makes a branch even more fruitful than it originally was by cutting off unfruitful parts. Remaining in Jesus also gives us the confidence to ask Him and receive by faith. If we are remaining in Christ and His love, we will obey Him. Obedience is not obedience if it is delayed or partial.

FRIDAY:

KEY VERSE: Matthew 28:16-20

OBSERVATION: After Jesus was resurrected, He gave His disciples the apostolic mandate of making disciples of all nations. He did not charge them to gather crowds, converts, or church members. He wanted His disciples to make disciples.

SATURDAY:

KEY VERSE: Colossians 3:16

OBSERVATION: Biblically speaking, it's clear that the goal of 'growing disciples' and producing 'disciple making disciples' necessitates that priority and emphasis must always be given to the vertical axis (understanding God through His Word) and allowing that to then shape, define, inform and transform the horizontal axis (our relationships together). Not the other way around.