

Discipleship Snapshot: A Self-Assessment

Jesus began his ministry with the call to “Repent and believe the good news” (Mark 1:15). From those who answered this call, Jesus hand-picked a group of *disciples* (Mark 1:17). He invited these students—that’s what “disciple” means—to follow him so that he could teach them, change their lives, and through them, change the world (Matthew 28:18–20)!

The ministry of Jesus shows us that his disciples are those who follow him—to *know* Jesus and his teaching; to *grow* more like Jesus; and to *go* for Jesus, serving others and making new disciples.

This brief self-assessment is meant to give you a general sense of where you should focus first in your journey of discipleship. Simply rank the thirty statements below, from one to thirty (with one being the topic you most want to focus on, and thirty being the issue you feel the least need to wrestle with right now).

Know: Disciples learn. They get a handle on certain basic truths.

- _____ Learning the amazing good news of Jesus (Topic 1)
- _____ Establishing a relationship with God (Topic 2)
- _____ Knowing what it really means to be a new creature in Christ (Topic 3)
- _____ Being sure I am right with God—that I actually have eternal life (Topic 4)
- _____ Following Jesus—the nuts and bolts (Topic 5)
- _____ Knowing the kind of life change that’s possible for disciples (Topic 6)
- _____ Understanding the mission of Jesus (Topic 7)
- _____ Answering common questions about the Bible (Topic 8)
- _____ Learning what God is really like (Topic 9)
- _____ Getting a clearer view of Jesus (Topic 10)
- _____ Hearing what the Bible says about the Holy Spirit (Topic 11)
- _____ Figuring out how church fits in to following Jesus (Topic 12)

Grow: Disciples change. They gradually become like Jesus.

- _____ Dealing with the struggle to love others (Topic 13)
- _____ Experiencing joy and peace in life (Topic 14)
- _____ Strengthening my relationships with others (Topic 15)
- _____ Understanding the rare traits of faithfulness and gentleness (Topic 16)
- _____ Battling temptation (Topic 17)
- _____ Knowing the truth about forgiveness (Topic 18)
- _____ Coping when life is one big struggle (Topic 19)
- _____ Keeping on when you feel like quitting (Topic 20)

Go: Disciples act. They engage in practices that can change the world.

- _____ Clearing up misconceptions about worship (Topic 21)
- _____ Dealing with a noisy, frantic, and jumbled life (Topic 22)
- _____ Digging into the Bible for yourself (Topic 23)
- _____ Building a richer prayer life (Topic 24)
- _____ Figuring out what God wants you to do (Topic 25)
- _____ Understanding fasting (Topic 26)
- _____ Hearing Jesus on money and giving (Topic 27)
- _____ Using your abilities to bless others (Topic 28)
- _____ Having spiritual conversations (Topic 29)
- _____ Making a global difference (Topic 30)