

DISCIPLES #1

At certain times during the ministry of Christ, there were thousands of people flocking to Him to hear Him speak and to see the many miracles He performed. Unfortunately, there were those who came to Him for wrong motives. Some were more interested in what He could give them to feed their physical bodies, instead of the spiritual food He provided for their souls. Others, who felt threatened by Him, listened to what He taught, hoping to find something to use against Him and to keep Him from becoming too influential among the Jewish people.

As a result Jesus had much to say about what it took to really become one of His disciples. The word disciple meant a learner and a follower. So people needed to learn what He was teaching and then sincerely follow it in their lives. And once they started down the path of discipleship, they were to never stop learning and following His word. This is what Christ is referring to in John 8:31 which reads, “So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, ‘If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.’”

So if we want to be a disciple of Christ today, and be able to join Him in eternity, we too must learn His will and obey it now and then continue to grow in our knowledge and service of Him as long as God grants us life on this earth.