

STEPINFAITH MINISTRY

BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM, INTRO:

"INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP"



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WOMENS' DISCIPLESHIP STUDY

Lesson 6

Witnessing - Sharing Your Life

Our Lord's last spoken words on this earth were, "...you shall be witnesses unto me." (Acts 1:8). What is a "witness"? A witness tells what he has seen and heard, what he has experienced. Christ has not asked you to be a lawyer who argues, or a salesman who sells, but a witness who shares. Personal witnessing is the only way this world will ever know about our precious Lord. Many unsaved will never be saved unless someone goes into their homes and shares Christ with them.

It was said of the Christians in Rome that their faith was "*spoken of throughout the whole world*" (Romans 1:8); and of the Thessalonians, "*...the Word of the Lord sounded forth from you...everywhere.*" (1 Thessalonians 1:8). These men and women had been with Jesus and the world took notice of the great difference it made. They turned the world upside down or right side up (Acts 4:13). Do your friends take notice that you have been with Jesus?

Jesus said, "*Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.*" (Matthew 4:19). Christ's command is to follow Him in an obedient life. As you do, He promises to make you a fisher of men. You witness by what you do as well as what you say. At home, at work, or school, there should be something about you that is different -- kindness, love, patience, honesty, consideration, sincerity, a cooperative spirit. Tell your friends and neighbors that Christ makes your life different.

"And He saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." (Matthew 4:19)

This is the last lesson - last, but not least!

Finish it, and you will have finished the whole study.

This is one of the most important lessons of all!

Task

1. What has Jesus commissioned me to be for Him? (Acts 1:8)
 - ❖ What is a Christian witness? (Acts 22:14,15; I John 1:3)
 - ❖ Look up the word "witness" in a dictionary and write out a brief definition.

2. What is God's will for every person? (II Peter 3:9)
 - ❖ But what must a person do in order to be saved? (Romans 10:13)
 - ❖ What is necessary before a person can call upon the Lord and trust in Him for salvation? (Romans 10:14,17)

3. If I follow Christ in an obedient life, what has He promised to make me? (Matthew 4:19)

4. Upon whom must I depend to convict men of their sin and of a need of the Savior? (John 16:7-11)
 - ❖ When I am fully surrendered to God, and the Holy Spirit has control of my life, what will He enable me to do? (Acts 4:31)

5. What are the three areas of the Holy Spirit's work in helping a sinner become a child of God?
 - ❖ (John 15:26)
 - ❖ (John 16:8)
 - ❖ (Titus 3:3-5)

Tools

6. What is the eternal seed that God uses to bring men to salvation? (I Peter 1:23,25; Luke 8:11)

❖ Therefore, in witnessing, what am I to do? (Mark 4:14)

7. What facts could I present from the following verses when witnessing?

❖ (Romans 3:23)

❖ (Romans 5:8)

❖ (Romans 6:23)

❖ (Romans 10:13)

Testimony

8. A witness shares what he has seen and heard -- what he has experienced. What acts about his life did Paul include in his testimony?

❖ Acts 22:3-5 (Life before)

❖ Acts 22:6-13 (Experience of salvation)

❖ Acts 22:14,15 (Life after)

9. How should I pray to prepare me to witness about Christ?

❖ (Acts 4:29)

❖ (Colossians 4:3)

❖ What should be my spirit and attitude as I go forth witnessing? (Matthew 9:36; Psalm 126:6)

10. Who are some of the first to whom I should witness? (Mark 5:19)

❖ How far does my responsibility of witnessing extend? (Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:19,20)

11. When I have led someone to Christ, does my responsibility to him end? Why?

❖ (I Thessalonians 2:10-12)

12. Who are some of my friends and relatives who do not know Christ as Savior?

❖ What specific action can I take to help them come to know Christ?

You have completed the Introduction to Christian Discipleship. Congratulations! May the Spirit of God always guide you as you seek His face and allow the Holy Spirit to convict you along your path...