

A DEVOTED DISCIPLER

FOLLOWING JESUS.

MAKING DISCIPLES. MULTIPLYING HIS KINGDOM.



Calvary
Baptist Church

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Home Worship Guide

Devoted Discipler

A Devoted Discipler loves like Jesus did. Jesus taught the Word and made disciples who, in turn, made disciples. It is our job to be faithful to the call to make disciples and allow God to do the supernatural activity of multiplying. We do the obedience work of discipling.

WELCOME

Why should we do a family devotional?

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.” - Deuteronomy 6:4-8

As long as there have been a “people of God,” the command given to them has always been that they would be instructing their children in the way of the Lord. Scripture expects parents to be the primary disciplers of their children.

But teaching children is more than simply giving rules. It involves showing them HOW to obey the Lord by doing it yourself! These family devotionals are meant to equip you as an individual to grow in your understanding of the Lord and His Word, as well as providing parents with the resources and opportunities to demonstrate for their children what it looks like to pursue God.

How to use this devotional:

This is simply a resource for you to use however works best for your family! Each day there is a selected Scripture reading, devotional, discussion questions, a prayer prompt, and a song to sing together. You may consider splitting parts and having one family member read the Scripture while another reads the devotional and another leads the prayer. Feel free to read additional Scripture as you call to mind passages that relate to what was read. Sing more hymns and songs with your family than the one provided if you feel led to. Use this guide in whatever way helps you and your family draw nearer to the Lord together.

PAST WORSHIP GUIDES

Are you just now learning about these worship guides? Or maybe you were traveling and missed a week. Don't worry! These worship guides are written in a way so that they can be used for years to come.

All of our past worship guides are available on our website. Feel free to scroll and find the one that works for you and your family. The dates simply help you know when they were written, it doesn't mean you only have to read them the week that they were published!

Find those worship guides here:



<https://www.calvaryleavenworth.com/homeworship>

MONDAY

A Devoted Discippler Follows Jesus

Read: Luke 9:23

The other day, I was in Walmart looking for brown paper bags. I couldn't find them! I happened to pass a Walmart worker who was stocking cans. I asked her where I could find the brown paper bags. She directed me to the exact spot where they reside. You see, she had been there before. As Devoted Disciplers, we are also Jesus Followers. We need to know where and how to find Jesus. We cannot take someone somewhere we've never been. If we don't know how to find Jesus, how can we direct others to Jesus in their spiritual time of need? Discipleship begins with a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. To be a Jesus Follower, you must follow Jesus. It may sound obvious, but it is critical for a Devoted Discippler to embrace this truth. Before we can disciple others, we must be devoted followers of Jesus ourselves.

What does a "Jesus Follower" do?

Why does discipleship have to begin with a personal relationship with Jesus?

In one word, describe your relationship with Jesus right now. Why that word?

If someone asked you, "How do I grow closer to Jesus?", what would you tell them?

What helps you stay close to Jesus?

What happens when you try to teach someone something you're not practicing yourself?

Pray

Pray that God would strengthen your relationship with Christ through prayer and His Word.

Sing

Run and Run

RUN AND RUN

Run and run the law demands
But gives me neither feet nor hands
Better news, the gospel brings
It bids me fly, it gives me wings

Bearing shame and all my sin
There in my place He stood condemned
Here I stand now justified
My guilt is His, His grace is mine

Chorus:

Praise the Lord
Oh, my soul, praise the Lord
Now and forevermore my heart confess
Christ is all my righteousness
Christ is all my righteousness

My accuser, he may roar
Of countless sins that I have done
These I know and thousands more
Behold, my God, He knows not one

When I stand before the throne
There dressed in beauty not my own
Then, Lord, shall I fully know
Not til that day how much I owe



TUESDAY

A Devoted Disciple is Devoted to God's Word

Read: 2 Timothy 3:16-17

I recently heard about a church that decided to NOT preach the Word on a Sunday morning, but showed a movie instead. Now, I'm as big a movie fan as there gets. But to exchange the proclamation of God's Holy Word for a cinematic piece of art is an abomination. As Devoted Disciples, we must not neglect the teaching and preaching of God's Word. We cannot exchange the truth of God's Word with art, rumors, or opinions. To be a Devoted Disciple means to be wholly devoted to God's Word, not a cause, a movement, or the whims of our own opinions. God's Word equips us to live faithful lives and gives us what we need to teach others faithfully. When we disciple others, our first and primary source of truth should be the Word of God. For in it we find everything we need for teaching, correction, and reproof. We don't need to turn to movies, music, or any other kind of art. We need not ask our best friend what they think. All we need is God's Word.

Why is God's Word so important to the work of discipleship?

What does it mean to be "wholly devoted to God's Word"?

What is the difference between using something to illustrate biblical truth and using it to replace biblical truth?

Why is biblical knowledge alone not enough? How should God's Word affect the way we live?

Can you think of a time when God's Word corrected something you believed or changed the way you were living?

Pray

Pray that God would keep His Word primary in your life.

Sing

How Great is the Greatness of God

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Chorus:

How faithful the Father above
How wondrous the works of the Son
How sweet is the Spirit given to us
How great is the greatness of God

Morning by morning with every dawn,
My soul with a new song awakes
Even in evening my praise goes on;
Forever my God is the same

When my heart gazes on Calvary,
At all of Your mercies arrayed
Oh, that my Savior would die for me
I sing out with infinite thanks

Oh what a comfort in every trial;
His presence is all that I need
Power that brought resurrection life,
That power is living in me



WEDNESDAY

A Devoted Disciplex Lives What They Teach

Read: 1 Corinthians 11:1

Have you ever played “Simon Says?” It’s a game where you have to imitate the “Simon” who gives instructions on what to do, and you only do it if they say, “Simon Says.” In a similar way, Paul is saying that we, believers in Christ, should imitate him, perhaps the most Devoted Disciplex outside of Jesus Himself. Paul’s example of living what he teaches is a great model for what we should all strive for. Sometimes our best discipleship tool is the way we live our lives. People watch Christians and how they live their lives. They watch whether or not we complain often or get easily angered. Instead, we should live lives that mirror what we teach: being slow to anger and choosing joy in the Spirit, regardless of the circumstances. We must be intentional with how we live, as people watch how we pray, respond to difficulty, and forgive. If we harbor bitterness towards others, the message we communicate about Christ is that He is a bitter Savior. If we live a life of forgiveness, we communicate that Christ is a compassionate and long-suffering Savior.

Why is our personal example such a powerful discipleship tool?

What are some things people can learn about Christ simply by watching how we live?

If someone watched your life for a week, what would they learn about Jesus?

Why should a Devoted Disciplex be intentional about how they live even when they aren’t actively “teaching” someone?

When you’re angry, frustrated, or hurt, what would it look like to intentionally respond in a way that reflects Jesus?

Pray

Pray that God would give you courage to live an authentic life for Christ.

Sing

10,000 Reasons

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Chorus:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore



THURSDAY

A Devoted Discippler Invests in Others

Read: 2 Timothy 2:2

The biblical vision of discipleship centers on multiplication through personal investment. We see this happen with Paul and Timothy, Paul and Barnabas, Barnabas and Mark, and Jesus with His 12 disciples. The Great Commission calls us to make disciples across all nations. But we can't stop our discipleship efforts at the moment of conversion. Just because someone gets saved doesn't mean they have been discipled. A Devoted Discippler invests in others beyond their conversion. Devoted Disciplers are entrusted with passing on what they've received to faithful people who are capable of continuing the cycle of sharing the gospel, seeing the lost get saved, and training them up according to Scripture. This creates a chain of spiritual formation that spans generations. This is one reason children's ministry is so important. One day, these children will be the ones overseeing the spiritual formation of others in the church. A Devoted Discippler is concerned with the legacy of the gospel through the investment of time and energy put into gospel relationships with others.

What is the difference between helping someone come to Christ and helping someone grow in Christ?

Why do you think Christians sometimes stop investing in someone once that person becomes a believer?

What does it look like to disciple someone beyond their conversion?

What might happen to the church if every believer took seriously the responsibility to disciple someone else?

Who has personally invested in your spiritual growth? How did their investment affect you?

Pray

Pray that God would use you to be a part of His Gospel legacy.

Sing

Bless the Lord (Psalm 103)

BLESS THE LORD (PSALM 103)

My God is slow to anger when I go astray
Bless the Lord, O my soul
For all of my betrayals, He will not repay
Bless the Lord, O my soul
Through mercy and compassion His great love is proved
He covers my transgressions like the snow
As far as east from west are all my sins removed
Bless the Lord, O my soul

He saved me from the pit when I had lost all hope
Bless the Lord, O my soul
From endless springs of kindness all His blessings flow
Bless the Lord, O my soul
Our days will fade like flowers and are quickly spent
And like the wind our years will come and go
Everlasting favor is His covenant
Bless the Lord, O my soul

Merciful and gracious is my God to me
Bless the Lord, O my soul
I will tell His goodness through eternity
Bless the Lord, O my soul
And bless the Lord, you angels, all you heav'nly hosts
And every living creature here below
Oh praise the Father, praise the Son, and Holy Ghost
Bless the Lord, O my soul

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FRIDAY

A Devoted Discipler Makes More Disciples

Read: Matthew 28:19-20

In Genesis 1, we are given our first command in Scripture. We are commanded to “be fruitful and multiply” in Genesis 1:28. Part of what it means to bear the image of God is to multiply. Humans are commanded to make more humans. It’s part of being an image bearer of God. Much like that, a Devoted Discipler is meant to multiply as well. Jesus makes a similar command in Matthew 28:19-20. He commands His disciples to “Go therefore and make disciples.” It seems to me that another responsibility as an image-bearing disciple is to make more disciples. It is by the one name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that we are to make these disciples. A Devoted Discipler also teaches those new disciples to observe Jesus’ commands, which is to make more disciples. Thus, a Devoted Discipler makes more disciples who make more disciples. It is the joyful burden of all believers to make disciples in the name of our One, True God.

Who are you discipling, and who are you preparing to disciple someone else?

Why do you think Jesus included “make disciples” rather than simply saying, “make converts”?

What happens when a Christian is content to be a disciple but never becomes a discipler?

What might be keeping you from intentionally discipling someone?

Are you simply a disciple of Jesus, or are you a disciple of Jesus who is actively making disciples?

Pray

Pray that God would take you beyond being a disciple and make you a Devoted Discipler.

Sing

Is He Worthy

IS HE WORTHY

Do you feel the world is broken? (We do)
Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do)
But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting
through? (We do)
Do you wish that you could see it all made new? (We do)

Is all creation groaning? (It is)
Is a new creation coming? (It is)
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? (It is)
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (It is)

[Chorus]
Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave

[Refrain]
Is He worthy? Is He worthy
Of all blessing and honor and glory?
Is He worthy of this?
He is

Does the Father truly love us? (He does)
Does the Spirit move among us? (He does)
And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? (He does)
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? (He does)

[Bridge]
From every people and tribe (People and tribe)
Every nation and tongue (Every nation and tongue)
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God
To reign with the Son



Oh come,
let us
worship
and bow down;

let us
kneel
before the
Lord,
our Maker!

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Psalm 95:6

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"Go home to your friends and
tell them how much the Lord
has done for you, and how he
has had mercy on you."

Mark 5:19

