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Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it. 
What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? 
To what can a man give in exchange for his soul? 
If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels." Mark 8:31-38 (ANIV)



#### Disciple ....

Greek 'Mathetes'

Noun - disciple - 264 times exclusively in the Gospels and Acts.

Means = learner, pupil, apprentice, follower



## Disciple ....

Jesus had ...

- Enemies
- Crowds
- Followers
- Disciples



# Disciple ....

Jesus today has ...

- Believers
- Disciples



#### Discipleship is a choice ...

"It is possible to be a follower of Jesus without being a disciple; to be a camp follower without being a soldier of the king; to be a hanger on in some great work without pulling one's weight. Once someone was talking to a great scholar about a younger man. He said 'So and so tells me that he was one of your students.' The teacher answered devastatingly, 'He may have attended my lectures, but he was not one of my students.' There is a world of difference between attending lectures and being a student. It is one of the supreme handicaps of the Church, that in the church there are so many distant followers of Jesus and so few real disciples." William Barclay



## 1. A Disciple is Called

- To follow Jesus
- To irrespective of abilities
- To join others
- To an adventure



## 2. A Disciple is Committed

- To deny themselves
- To count the cost
- To know Jesus



## 3. A Disciple is Commissioned

- To serve

- To speak count the cost



#### Discipleship is a choice ...

"A man must give his life to that which give him life."

"He will take what we offer - When we do the best we can, we never know what miracle is wrought in our life and the life of another." William Barclay

