

Discipleship: Learning to live the life Jesus lived and, with your life,
_____ others to do the same

KEY VERSE

2 Timothy 4:5 ESV - *As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, **fulfill your ministry.***

YOUR MINISTRY LIFE

1. We are called to be _____ of _____.

- When Jesus called the disciples, he gave them an eternal purpose.

Mark 1:16,17 ESV - *and passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. v.17 And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men."*

- We were _____ and _____ to a purpose.

John 15:16 ESV - *You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide...*

2. Jesus put a high value on living by purpose.

- Jesus was never _____.

Matthew 4:10 ESV - *Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.'"*

NOTES

His purpose extended beyond their earthly occupation.

Matthew 16:22-23 NIV - *Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!" 23 Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."*

John 18:37 ESV - *"... For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world..."*

- We must not be _____ from our purpose.

The enemy will use many things and many people to hinder you from fulfilling your ministry.

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3. We need a vision for our ministry purpose.

- Our _____ purpose is to join Christ Jesus in His work.

Luke 19:10 ESV - *For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.*

Matthew 28:19, 20 NIV - *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...*

- The general purpose is to win the lost and disciple the nations.

- Our _____ and personal purpose will be discovered through prayer, experiences, and counsel.

4. We need a deep devotion to the task of our ministry life.

Acts 20:24 NET - *But I do not consider my life worth anything to myself, so that I may finish my task and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the good news of God's grace.*

- Your ministry task will involve four things:

- It will involve _____.
- It will advance the _____.
- It will bring _____ to God.
- It will be bigger than you can do in your own _____.

- If it's not touching people it's probably not God's will; if it's not advancing the Kingdom it's probably a distraction.

5. Living with a personal vision is vital to our discipleship.

Proverbs 29:18 KJV - *Where there is no vision, the people perish...*

- A personal vision will always give you the _____ of a disciple.
- A personal vision will always supply you with the necessary _____ of a disciple.
- A personal vision will keep your life fueled with the _____ of discipleship.

God knew, in His foreknowledge, that you would give your life to Him. He predestined you to be a disciple of Christ and to bear much fruit for the Kingdom of God!

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Are you able to define any specific task the Lord Jesus has given you?
2. Can you identify any unnecessary distractions in your life that are preventing you from fulfilling your purpose?
3. Talk about your personal vision related to God's call on your life.
4. Can you think of any personal experiences or counsel you've received that may contribute to your ministry purpose?
5. What is the Holy Spirit saying to you through this lesson?