

TRAINING LEADER AID  
SESSION 1-2 BIBLE VERSES (2.1)

**Session 1 - Homework Memory Verses**

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## **Session 1 - Discussion Questions Bible Verses**

### **1C - Why we need discipleship.**

#### **1 Peter 1:6-9**

<sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials,

<sup>7</sup>so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

<sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory,

<sup>9</sup>obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

## 2A - An Invitation from God I: The Great Supper

### Luke 14:15-24

<sup>15</sup> When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!"

<sup>16</sup> But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many.

<sup>17</sup> And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.'

<sup>18</sup> But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.'

<sup>19</sup> And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.'

<sup>20</sup> And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.'

<sup>21</sup> So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.'

<sup>22</sup> And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.'

<sup>23</sup> And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled.

<sup>24</sup> For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.'"

## 2B - An Invitation from God II: Following Jesus

### Matt 4:18-22

<sup>18</sup> While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen.

<sup>19</sup> And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

<sup>20</sup> Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

<sup>21</sup> And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them.

<sup>22</sup> Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

### Matt 8:18-22

<sup>18</sup> Now when Jesus saw a crowd around him, he gave orders to go over to the other side.

<sup>19</sup> And a scribe came up and said to him, "Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go."

<sup>20</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head."

<sup>21</sup> Another of the disciples said to him, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father."

<sup>22</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Follow me, and leave the dead to bury their own dead."

## 2C - Jesus defines Discipleship I: The Life of a Disciple

According to each of these passages, *what is discipleship?*

### Matt 28:18-20

<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

<sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

<sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

### 2 Tim 2:1-2

<sup>1</sup> You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup> and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

### John 17:4-8

<sup>4</sup> I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do.

<sup>5</sup> And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup> "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.

<sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you.

<sup>8</sup> For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

**Col 1:27-29**

<sup>27</sup> To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

<sup>28</sup> Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

<sup>29</sup> For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

**1 Jn 2:6**

<sup>6</sup> whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

## 2D - Jesus defines Discipleship II: The Characteristics of a Disciple

According to each of these passages, *what are the characteristics of a disciple?*

### Luke 6:40

<sup>40</sup> A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher.

### John 8:31-32

<sup>31</sup> So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples,  
<sup>32</sup> and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

### John 13:34-35

<sup>34</sup> A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.  
<sup>35</sup> By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

### John 15:8

<sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

### 3A - Jesus defines Discipleship III: The Cost of Discipleship

Read Luke 14:25-33. In the verses listed below, *what is the cost of being a disciple of Jesus?*

#### Luke 14:25-33

<sup>25</sup> Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them,

<sup>26</sup> "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple.

<sup>27</sup> Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

<sup>28</sup> For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it?

<sup>29</sup> Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him,

<sup>30</sup> saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.'

<sup>31</sup> Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand?

<sup>32</sup> And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace.

<sup>33</sup> So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.