



**John 18:10-11, Matthew 26:56, Matthew 26:31, Zechariah 13:7**

The "\_\_\_\_\_ **disciple**" doesn't want to \_\_\_\_\_ themselves by being known as a \_\_\_\_\_ follower of Christ.  
The "\_\_\_\_\_ **disciple**" still claims to be a follower of Jesus, but oftentimes they're "**following at such a distance**" that it can be very \_\_\_\_\_ to tell if they're really His \_\_\_\_\_ at all or just one caught up in the \_\_\_\_\_!

**Matthew 10:32-33**

If you are really going to be a Christian, you can't follow at such a distance that no one knows it. You can't be ashamed to say you belong to Jesus. You've got to be willing to confess Him publicly and faithfully live your life for Him by obediently following His teachings found in His Holy Word!

The "**distant disciple**" may have some "\_\_\_\_\_" along their faith journey where they genuinely connect with Jesus, trust Him to do what only He could do in and through them. But these moments are \_\_\_\_\_ & **inconsistent** at best, if they occur at all. (**Matthew 4:18-20, Matthew 14:22-33**)!

The \_\_\_\_\_ for following Jesus Christ is intentionally set **HIGH** and is made **CLEAR** by Jesus' Himself: **Luke 9:23** Amplified

A **distant disciple** is NOT meeting that divinely-set \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) by Christ in **Luke 9:23**,  
nor are they even coming close to it! Why?

001 A **DISTANT DISCIPLE** has "\_\_\_\_\_ **Discipleship**"= (\_\_\_\_\_)

"**Limited Discipleship**" is really not "\_\_\_\_\_ **discipleship**" at all. Because when Jesus is truly your "Lord," you're committed to do \_\_\_\_\_. He tells you to do \_\_\_\_\_. He tells you to do it and \_\_\_\_\_. He tells you to do it! — with \_\_\_\_\_! (**Mark 10:17-27, Luke 6:46**)  
If Jesus is truly our Lord, then we are to obey Him \_\_\_\_\_! ... with \_\_\_\_\_ / no self-imposed \_\_\_\_\_!

002 A **DISTANT DISCIPLE** has "\_\_\_\_\_ **Discipleship**"

Many today – especially after the last 3 years with the world of COVID & monumental changes – have become \_\_\_\_\_ **DISCIPLES**. Their faith seems to be in \_\_\_\_\_ – **NOT** in \_\_\_\_\_! James 1:22 <sup>ERV, NKJV</sup>

A **real disciple** seeks to have "\_\_\_\_\_ between them & Jesus." They are **fully committed** to following Jesus – **OBEYING** Him & **faithfully & consistently DOING** what He says to do!

003 A **DISTANT DISCIPLE** has a "\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ **CHRIST**"

Because of Peter's choice to be a **DISTANT DISCIPLE** at the time of & immediately following Jesus' arrest, his decision to "follow (Jesus) at a distance" brought him **three consecutive opportunities** to either \_\_\_\_\_ WITH JESUS or \_\_\_\_\_ JESUS.

Let's look closely at those three denials ...

Denial #1 – **Luke 22:55-57** [**Mark 14:66-68** / **John 18:15-17**]

Denial #2 – **Luke 22:58** [**Mark 14:69-70a** / **John 18:25**]

Denial #3 – **Luke 22:59-62** [**Mark 14:70-71\*** / **Matthew 26:73-74** / **John 18:26-27**]

Look closely to **\*Mark 14:70-71** <sup>EXB</sup> ... "

{Only Gospel of Luke records this moment - "At that moment the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ at Peter." **Luke 22:61**}

Jesus' prophetically told Peter that he would **deny Him 3 times** that same night! **Mark 14:27-31** <sup>EXB</sup> ...

Peter's pride and **spiritual** \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ was on public display at this very moment which opened the door to Satan to seize this moment and take advantage of this opportunity. **Proverbs 16:18** <sup>EXB</sup>

**DENIAL = Pr-I-de** = A \_\_\_\_\_ from the Lord!  
**Deuteronomy 30:17-18a** <sup>NLT</sup>, **Revelation 2:4-5a** Amplified

**A<sup>3</sup> (Accept, Apply & Act)**

"Giving All Praise, Honor & Glory to Abba Father for His Anointed Word / Message Today!" ~ Pastor David, Jeremiah 3:15