



Hill Cliffe Study Guide
Being a Disciple of Jesus
#1 What is a disciple of Jesus?
Sunday 14 April 2024

1. What impacted you most from the Sermon on Sunday?
2. The fact that Jesus had a group of disciples was not unusual for a Rabbi (or Spiritual Leader) – but what was unusual about the choice of Jesus’ first disciples (**see Matthew 4.18-19 for example**)?
3. Stuart mentioned that because the word *disciple* is rarely used today, our idea of *apprenticeship* is a helpful way of describing the role of a Jesus’ first disciples. What style of learning does the word *apprentice* suggest?

Please read Matthew 10.24-25.

4. Jesus’ disciples were called: to be with Jesus; to increasingly become like Jesus; and to increasingly learn to do what Jesus’ did. In the gospels, how do we see Jesus’ disciples practice these three goals? Please refer to some examples of each from Mathew’s gospel.

Please read Matthew 5.1-2, and 13-16; Matthew 7.13-14 and 24-27

5. Jesus taught his disciples many things about God’s will for living God’s way in the Kingdom of God (which he had now inaugurated). How would you describe the kind of response that Jesus expected (commanded?) from his disciples to his teaching?

Please read Matthew 12.47-49, and John 15.14-15

6. What do these verses reveal about Jesus’ attitude and commitment towards his disciples? How does this inspire you as a disciple of Jesus?

Please read John 6.66-68

7. How does this passage reflect a fundamental motivation for our perseverance as disciples?

Please read Matthew 28.18-20 and John 14.12-18

8. What makes these disciples able to make disciples of others?