

1. THE ABSOLUTE PRINCIPLES OF GOD'S WORK

1. THE ETERNAL PURPOSE OF GOD.	Ro 8.29	For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.
2. JESUS IS OUR ONLY POINT OF REFERENCE.	Mt 17.5	While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!".
3. THE APOSTOLIC WORD IS THE ONLY SOURCE OF INFORMATION FOR LIFE AND FOR THE FUNCTIONING OF THE CHURCH.	EPH 2.20	Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.
4. JESUS' COMMAND IS THAT WE MAKE DISCIPLES.	Mt 28.19-20	Therefor go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.
5. THE ONLY PREACHING THAT FORMS DISCIPLES IS THE PREACHING OF THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM.	Lk 8.1	... Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the Kingdom of God...
6. GOD'S STRATEGY TO FULFILL HIS PURPOSE IS THE SERVICE OF THE SAINTS.	EPH 4.15-16	Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.
7. ALL RECOGNITION OF MINISTRY SHOULD BE THROUGH THE FRUIT OF THAT PERSONS MINISTRY.	Mt 7.16	By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles?
8. THE PASTORS AND THE OTHER LEADERS MUST BE AND DO EVERTHING THAT THEY WANT THEIR DISCIPLES TO BE AND DO..	Ac 1.1	In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach...
9. SIMPLICITY SHOULD BE MAINTAINED IN ALL THE TEACHINGS AND STRUCTURES..	2Co 11.3	But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere

		and pure devotion to Christ.
10. EVERYTHING SHOULD BE DONE IN THE HOMES AND IN THE STREETS.	1Co 16.19 Ac 5.42	The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscila greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house. Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Christ.

2. WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A DISCIPLE?

1. LOVE CHRIST MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE	Lk 14.26-27	If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters – yes, even his own life – he cannot be my disciple. And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.
2. RENOUNCES EVERYTHING HE OWNS.	Lk 14.33	In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.
3. PRACTICES THE WORD OF CHRIST	JN 8.31	To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples."
4. LOVES OTHERS LIKE JESUS LOVED US.	JN 13.34-35	"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."
5. BEARS MUCH FRUIT.	JN 15.8	This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

3. WHAT THE DISCIPLER MUST GIVE THE DISCIPLE?

1. GIVES OF HIMSELF	Mk 3.14	He appointed twelve – designating them apostles – that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach
2. GIVES A GOOD EXAMPLE	PHP 4.9	Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

3. GIVES THE WORD	JN17.14	I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world.
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4. WHAT TO DEVELOP IN THE DISCIPLE'S LIFE?

1. FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD	1 TH 5.17	Pray continually.
2. THE CHARACTER OF CHRIST	EPH4.13	...until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.
3. SERVICE – MINISTRY	Mk 3.14	He appointed twelve - designating them apostles – that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach.
	COL 1.28	We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

5. WHAT ARE THE STEPS TO FORM A DISCIPLE'S LIFE?

1. TEACHING	MT 28.20	And teaching them to obey everthing I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to thevery end of the age.
2. REPETITION (TO INSTRUCT = TO TEACH ORALLY) (TO CATECHIZE)	FHP 3.1	Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard fo you.
3. EXHORTATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT	HEB 3.13	But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.
4. CORRECTION	GAL 6.1	Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.
5. ADMONISHMENT - IN PRIVATE	1TH 5.14	And we urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone.
6. DISCIPLINE – BY THE ELDERS	HEB 12.7	Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father?

6. WHAT ARE THE LEVELS OF AUTHORITY?

1. THE WORD OF GOD – ABSOLUTE AUTHORITY	Mk 28.20	And teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the very end of the age.
2. COUNSEL (ADVICE) – RELATIVE AUTHORITY	HEB 13.17	Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you.
	PR 19.20	Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise.
3. OPINIONS – NO AUTHORITY	1 Co 7.40	In my judgement, she is happier if she stays as she is – and I think that I too have the Spirit of God.

7. WHAT SHOULD BE THE DISPOSITION OF THE DISCIPLER?

1. TO SERVE AND NOT TO BE SERVED	Mk 10.45	For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.
2. TO HAVE CHILDBIRTH PAINS	GAL 4.19	My dear children, for whom I am again in the pains of childbirth until Christ is formed in you,.
3. TO SPEND AND TO EXPEND OF YOURSELF	2 Co 12.15	So I will very gladly spend for you everything I have and expend myself as well. If I love you more, will you love me less?
4. TO TIRE YOURSELF AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE (TO SACRIFICE)	COL1.29	To this end I labor, struggling with all his energy, which so powerfully works in me.