



We Have Found the Messiah

DAILY DEVOTIONAL 78



LET'S PRAY Dear God in heaven, please send the Holy Spirit to help me understand Your word today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - 1 CORINTHIANS 3:9

"For we are God's fellow workers."

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

John 1:19,20,25-27,35-51.

KEY TEXT: John 1:29

"The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

After defeating Satan in the wilderness, Jesus returned to the Jordan River. John had been preaching there for many months by now. His work caused a lot of excitement and crowds of people followed him. Almost everyone was sure he was a prophet, and some hoped he might be the Messiah himself!

How did the leaders of Israel respond to John? Sadly, they didn't believe John, or listen to his words. But there were some people who had been listening carefully to him. One day, John caught sight of Jesus and, pointing to Him said, "Behold the Lamb of God!" Two of John's disciples, Andrew and a another man, decided to follow Jesus. They were His very first disciples.

JESUS' FIRST DISCIPLES

To find out who were Jesus' first disciples, put the words from the list in the correct spaces. Unscramble the boxed letters to reveal what Jesus called His disciples.

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"Follow M	le." Philip fo	ound				·"	John
1:43,45.							
"He saw t	two other b	rothers,			the son of	Zebedee	e, and
			н	im." Mat	thew 4:21,22.		
"I have ca	alled you _				" John 15	:15	





LET'S PRAY Dear Father, thank You that I can be a disciple of Jesus. Please help me to do that today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - 1 CORINTHIANS 3:9

"For we are fellow workers."

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

I FT'S RFAD:

Matthew 10:24,25; 11:37–39; John 13:13–17.

KEY TEXT: Luke 6:40

"A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher."

Yesterday we learned the names of Jesus' first disciples. What is a disciple? A disciple is someone who follows, or learns from, another person. A disciple spends a lot of time with his or her teacher, or master, and tries to imitate, or copy, everything the teacher does. A disciple wants to be just like his or her teacher.

Let's think a bit more about who can be a disciple of Jesus. Jesus' first disciples were mostly fishermen. That tells us that they did not have lots of money. They were not famous people, nor did they have a high position in society, like a king or prime minister. That tells us that we don't need to have money, a high position or fame to be a disciple of Jesus. The most important thing about being a disciple of Jesus is to willingly and cheerfully do whatever He asks us to do.

TO BE A DISCIPLE

Complete the acrostic below to revise facts about Jesus' first disciples, and learn more about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

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- 1. "But, be ____ of the word." James 1:22.
- 2. "It is enough for a disciple that he be ____ his teacher." Matthew 10:25.
- 3. "Therefore ____ to God. James 4:7.
- 4. "If anyone desires to _ _ _ after Me, let him deny himself." Matthew 16:24
- 5. "Beloved, do not _____ what is evil, but what is good". 3 John 1:11.
- 6. "If you love Me, ____ My commandments." John 14:15
- 7. "... if you have ____ for one another." John 13:35
- 8. " _ _ _ _ from me ." Matthew 11:29





LET'S PRAY Dear God, please help me to copy Jesus today in all I do. In His name I pray, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - 1 CORINTHIANS 3:9

"For __ are ____ fellow workers."

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Luke 5:16; Matthew 4:4; 7:24-27; John 15:8-10

KEY TEXT: John 13:15

"For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you."

As we learned yesterday, a disciple is someone who chooses to *follow* another person, to learn from them, and become just like them. So, to be Jesus' disciples, we need to know the things that He did and said, then faithfully be like Him.

As we learned in a previous study, when Jesus came to earth, He spent a lot of time praying and studying the Bible. He also spent time in nature, and worked very hard in Joseph's carpenter shop. He also helped and encouraged others. His example is for us to copy.

JESUS CAME TO EXALT THE LAW

One of the most important things Jesus came to do was to show how wonderful God's law is. Find the RED words from Matthew 5:18 in the puzzle below. Then use the leftover letters to find out how we can be sure we know Jesus.

"Till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled." Matt 5:18

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1 John 2:3





LET'S PRAY Dear God, please help me to obey my parents today, as Jesus did. In His name I pray, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - 1 CORINTHIANS 3:9

"For ___ are ____ fellow ____."

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Matthew 5:17,18.

KEY TEXT: Matthew 5:17.

"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill."

We know that all through His life on Earth, Jesus kept the law perfectly. Earlier, we learned that Jesus was obedient to His parents while He lived at His hometown of Nazareth. After Jesus left home, He was still obedient to His parents. At the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus was obedient to Mary when she asked for His help. In being obedient to Mary, Jesus also cared for the needs of those at the wedding feast.

GOD'S LAW SHOWS LOVE

Look up Exodus 20:12-17. Revise the last six of the Ten Commandments by completing the blank spaces in each one below. Then, using the boxed words and letters, see what Jesus said about this part of the law in Matthew 22:39.

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LET'S PRAY Dear Father, I give you my heart today. Please help me to obey You. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - 1 CORINTHIANS 3:9

"For __ are _____

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

I FT'S RFAD:

Leviticus 11:45; 1 John 4:16; Romans 13:10.

KEY TEXT: Romans 7:12.

"Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good."

The law is a copy of God's character. In a previous study, we saw that God is holy, and His law is holy. God is eternal, righteous, just, and good, and so is His law. Most of all, God is love. God's law is also love. The law is made up of 2 parts: love to God (commandments 1-4) and love to others (commandments 5-10). Romans 13:10 says, "Love is the fulfilment of the law."

With the help of the Holy Spirit, our characters can be changed so that we can keep God's wonderful law of love. When Adam and Eve were first created, they naturally obeyed God's law. Because of their sin, we as their children do not naturally love God's law. But if we ask for God's help, He can change our hearts, so that we love and obey God's law. Then, we will truly to be showing love to every person we meet.

THE SIGN OF DISCIPLESHIP

Crack the code to learn how everyone will know if we are truly Jesus' disciples. You can check your answer in John 13:35.

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LET'S PRAY Dear God, please help me to cooperate with You in all I do today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

John 2:1-11.

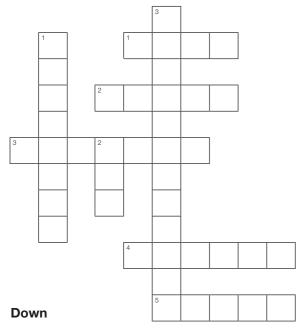
KEY TEXT: John 2:11.

"This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him."

When we cooperate with Jesus, doing just what He tells us to, we are His disciples. And when we cooperate with God, as the servants at the Cana wedding feast did, God can work true miracles for us every day! Have you ever thought that, every time a plant grows, God works a miracle? Without God's sun and rain, no plants would grow. God does His part, but He has also given us something to do. We need to plant the seeds and do our very best to care for them. That is what our torchlight and memory verse for this week tell us. By doing the part that God has given us to, we are being His disciples every day!

DISCIPLESHIP QUIZ

Test your knowledge about this week's lesson by completing the crossword.



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- **1.** " _ _ _ is the fulfillment of the law." Romans 13:10.
- 2. Andrew's brother. John 1:40
- **3.** A true disciple of Jesus will give with a _ _ _ _ heart. Exodus 35:5.
- **4.** When John the Baptist pointed to Jesus, this disciple followed him. John 1:40.
- **5.** The waterpots which the servants filled were made of this. John 2:6.
- 1. A person who imitates his or her teacher. Matthew 10:25.
- 2. Jesus came to exalt this. Isaiah 42:21.
- 3. Jesus' true disciples will keep His _____.





LET'S PRAY Dear Father, thank You for Your wonderful plan to save me. Please help me to love and obey You always. In Jesus' name, I ask You, Amen.

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Luke 1:68-70.

KEY TEXT: Psalm 107:1.

"Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! for His mercy endures forever."

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

In these 13 devotionals, we have revised things from previous studies, and learned some new things from the Bible. Some of these include how sin and evil came to our world, with its terrible results; God's wonderful plan to save us; that He chose the Israelite nation; how Jesus was born as a baby in Bethlehem, grew up in Nazareth, was baptised by John, and began His ministry. How well do you remember the Great Controversy Saga? Test your knowledge by filling in the blanks below.

GREAT CONTROVERSY SAGA REVIEW

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one-third of the angels and they were cast out of heaven. He then deceived													
, and through her influence Adam also sinned. That was the start of all													
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by Joh	n, then v	went to	the w	vildernes	s and	was tem	oted by Sa	atan.					
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In this study, we will learn what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.



Torchlight

"In the production of earth's harvests God is working a miracle every day...

Men prepare the soil and sow the seed, but it is the life from God that
causes the seed to germinate." – The Desire of Ages, p. 367.



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