



Bible Study Questions

11th August 2024

Matthew 28:16-20 & Acts 1:1-11

Introduction

What is the best advice or lesson you have learnt that you still follow or implement today?

Read & Reflect

Read Matthew 28:16-20 and Acts 1:1-11 at least twice using different versions of the Bibles. As you read or listen to the words, reflect and share on the following:

- What stands out or what do you notice?
- What questions are raised for you?
- What challenges you?

Questions

- Jesus uses the phrases "...go and make..." (Matthew 28:19) & "...you will be..." (Acts 1:8). What do these imply and require of us as followers of Jesus? Who do these commands apply to?
- The word for "disciple" is used over 270 in the New Testament, what does it mean to be a disciple? Discuss this first and then read this short reflection from [Our Daily Bread](#)
- While Jesus calls us to go and make disciples, what else did Jesus say about being a disciple?
- The word witness is a legal term, a witness would be called to give a testimony in a court of law of what they saw (witnessed). Jesus calls us to be a witness, but what are we witnessing to? Looking through the book of Acts, how did the early church be a witness?
- What do you think Jesus meant by being a witness in, ..." Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth"? (Acts 1:8)
- How should we witness today?

Application

D.T. Niles in his famous book [That They May Have Life](#) stated "Evangelism is witness. It is one beggar telling another beggar where to get food". As you think about your own discipleship journey, who witnessed to you and disciplined you?

What do you need to become a better witness and disciple for Jesus? Which of the following best reflects your current discipleship journey:

- **Training and equipping.** I want to be a witness, but I am not confident in knowing what to say.
- **Encouragement and/or opportunity.** I want to be a witness, but I need someone alongside of me.
- **Challenge and accountability.** I want to be a witness, but I need someone to challenge and keep me accountable.
- **Repentance.** I know I am called to be a witness, and I just haven't been doing it, I need to acknowledge this and take responsibility.