



“What Would God Say?” Part 3

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Review:

- What would God say...defines a disciple?
- **Important:** There are behaviors, experiences, and commitments that define a disciple.

John 8:30-31 (NLT)

Then many who heard him say these things believed in him. 31 Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you keep obeying my teachings.

(The Message)

When he put it in these terms, many people decided to believe. 31 Then Jesus turned to the Jews who had claimed to believe in him. "If you stick with this, living out what I tell you, you are my disciples for sure.

SIMPLE CLARITY

1. A disciple is committed to a life of _____.

Ephesians 5:8-10 (NLT)

For though your hearts were once full of darkness, now you are full of light from the Lord, and your behavior should show it! 9 For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true. 10 Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.

- **Healthy perspective regarding _____.**
- **View the glass “half _____” vs. “half _____”.**
- **Resist “_____ syndrome”.**

2. A disciple is consistently _____ their prayer life.

Psalms 42:2 (NLT)

I thirst for God, the living God. When can I come and stand before him?

Mark 1:35 (NLT)

The next morning Jesus awoke long before daybreak and went out alone into the wilderness to pray.

- Understand the “_____ factor”
- “_____ to” vs. “have to”

3. A disciple is _____ with, but not “tied to” this world.

II Timothy 2:1, 4 (NLT)

Timothy, my dear son, be strong with the special favor God gives you in Christ Jesus. 4 And as Christ's soldier, do not let yourself become tied up in the affairs of this life, for then you cannot satisfy the one who has enlisted you in his army.

- **Self Evaluation: Honestly, what _____ me?**

Hebrews 11:10 (NLT)

Abraham did this because he was confidently looking forward to a city with eternal foundations, a city designed and built by God.

Personal Action Steps

- In what areas, have I grown as a disciple of Christ in the past 6-12 months? “Celebrate the Wins!”
- Which of the 3 points is presently a challenge for me?
- How can I (me!) sustain a healthy passion for discipleship?