



Course Name: SALT Discipleship Lesson 1 - Commands Related to Authentic Discipleship
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Course description:

This course covers the Biblical commands related to being an authentic disciple of Christ and how we are commanded to help others become disciples.

Course Objectives: By the end of this class students will have:

- A. Covered several commands in the New Testament related to living as authentic disciples.
- B. Grown together as a class / Church by studying and discussing discipleship scriptures.

Outline of the class: Divide the class into groups of three or four. Ask all the groups to spend about 5-10 minutes to write out or list answers to discussion questions. After each group completes the task, ask each group to share their findings with the entire group.

Group discussion 1: How do you summarize these commands from Jesus? Are they optional?

- A. **Matthew 28:19-20** “Go therefore and make disciples... teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”
- B. **Mark 16:15** “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel ...”
- C. **Luke 24:47** “...repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.”
- D. **Acts 1:8** “you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

Group discussion 2: How do you summarize these commands from the letters written by Peter and Paul?

- A. **1 Co. 11:1** “Be imitators of me as I am of Christ.”
- B. **Ep. 4:12** “to equip the saints...building up the body of Christ...”
- C. **1 Pet. 2:12** “Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable...they may see your good deeds...”
- D. **Col. 4:5** “Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time.”

Group discussion 3: Discuss the history of how God made His appeal to people during the Patriarchal, Mosaic dispensations. How does God make His appeal to people today in the Christian age?

- A. **2 Co. 5:20** “Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us.”

Group discussion 4: Based on this study, what should you do differently as individuals? As a congregation?

Conclusion:

- A. We are commanded to make disciples by being disciples.
- B. We are commanded to teach others as we also learn to observe all Jesus’ commands.
- C. God makes His appeal to outsiders through us.