



BOOK *of* JOHN

FOLLOW ME

JOHN 21:18-25

OUR FINAL STUDY HERE IN JOHN'S GOSPEL

- We are His disciples/followers—He leads, we follow Him; He drives, we are passengers; He sets the course, we man the sails filled with the Spirit of the Lord!
- A follower who yields himself to be a disciple of Jesus, who serves the Lord, must honestly confront this matter of death.
- When a person has settled the matter of death, then we are ready to live and to serve!

TRUTH: WE ARE ALREADY DEAD!

AS THE LORD'S DISCIPLES, our new birth keeps us from a second death so we can really live! We don't fear dying.

- **We can be 100% in—nothing held back in following Jesus! 2 Cor. 4:11; 2 Cor. 5:14-15; Gal. 2:19-20**
- But, we need to keep our eyes on Jesus as we follow Him, not the things of this earth.
- Peter's problems and ours will come when we get our eyes off Jesus. **Luke 5:8; Matt. 14:30; Heb. 12:1-2**
Keep your eyes of faith on Him and on Him alone.

WHAT IS A DISCIPLE AND DISCIPLESHIP?

What should be true about disciples?

Followers. What are *followers* of the Lord like?

- 1. Disciples** should be marked by Christ-like living as defined by the Word. **Col. 3:1-17**
- 2. Disciples** are marked by the loving way they treat people, especially each other. **1 Cor. 13**
- 3. Disciples** are marked by the way they treat people outside the church. **Eph. 2:14-15**

4. **Disciples** shouldn't expect to be free from suffering in this earthly life. **Job 1:1-11**
5. **Disciples** can expect some difficulties along the journey of life. **James 1:1-15**
6. **Disciples** will not stay spiritual infants; they mature and grow in faith.
7. **Disciples** will stop walking in darkness. **1 John 1:5-7**
8. **Disciples** will begin to act as Christ directs by the Spirit. **Gal. 5:22-23**

9. **Disciples** will find help for our daily problems through trusting God in prayer. **Romans 8:26-27**
10. **Disciples** will be empowered to serve God and do His will. **Acts 1:8**
11. **Disciples** will become part of God's plan to build up His church. **Eph. 4:11-13**

You can spot one of Jesus' followers . . . they are just like Him.

The best way for each of us to know we are truly His disciples: Where He leads, follow Him!