**SERIES DESCRIPTION**

What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus in the day-to-day realities of life? Discipleship isn’t confined to Sunday mornings or special moments; it’s a calling to follow Jesus in every aspect of our lives. This five-week series unpacks the heart of being a disciple and explores how we can reflect Christ in our work, relationships, digital interactions, neighborhoods, and hospitality. Together, we’ll discover how to live as faithful followers of Jesus, making an eternal impact in the ordinary rhythms of life.

This devotional is meant to help you dive deeper throughout the week into the topics we talk about on Sunday. This is a great thing to do with a few other people over coffee or do by yourself.

**Week 1**

**A Disciple is Called to Call Others**

**Day 1**

* **Read:** Matthew 28:16-20
* **Devotional:** Jesus’s final words to His disciples weren’t just a farewell — they were a commission. “Go and make disciples of all nations.” These words are for everyone who follows Jesus. This calling doesn’t require a seminary degree or a platform — it starts with a willing heart. Jesus invites us into His mission, and our everyday moments become opportunities to reflect His love and truth. Whether at work, home, or school, you are placed by God to be a witness. The Great Commission is not about adding something extra to your life — it’s about seeing your life through a disciple-making lens.
* **Questions:**
  + How do you see the Great Commission applying to your everyday life?
  + Who is someone you could begin praying for to come to know Jesus?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Acts 1:8, Romans 10:9-15

**Day 2**

* **Read:** John 1:35-51
* **Devotional:** When Andrew met Jesus, the first thing he did was find his brother Simon. There’s something natural about sharing good news. As followers of Jesus, we don’t need to have all the answers — we simply need to invite others to meet Him. “Come and see” is a powerful phrase. It’s not about arguing someone into faith; it’s about pointing them to Jesus through our words and our lives. Your story — even if it feels small — might be exactly what someone else needs to hear.
* **Questions:**
  + What’s holding you back from inviting others to Jesus?
  + What’s your “come and see” story?
* **Additional Scriptures:** John 4:28-30, Mark 2:13-17

**Day 3**

* **Read:** Acts 11:19-24
* **Devotional:** When Barnabas arrived in Antioch, he was overjoyed by what God was doing. He encouraged the believers to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. Because of his faithful presence and encouragement, a great number of people were brought to the Lord. What stands out is that Barnabas wasn’t the lead preacher — he was the encourager. Sometimes the most powerful tool in discipleship isn’t teaching, but showing up with faith, kindness, and hope. God uses everyday people to reach others. Could you be someone’s Barnabas today?
* **Questions:**
  + Are you more like Barnabas or still figuring things out? Why?
  + How can encouragement open doors for others to follow Jesus?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Acts 2:42-47, 1 Thessalonians 5:11

**Day 4**

* **Read:** Matthew 5:13-16
* **Devotional:** Jesus says we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. These aren’t roles we step into occasionally; they are our identity in Him. Salt preserves and flavors. Light illuminates and reveals. In the same way, our lives as disciples should bring out the goodness of God in the world and shine His truth in dark places. How we live — how we treat others, the decisions we make, the grace we offer — all reflect our Savior. This is not pressure to perform, but an invitation to live faithfully and boldly in everyday life.
* **Questions:**
  + What part of your life shines the light of Jesus best?
  + Where can you be more intentional with your witness?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Philippians 2:14-16, 1 Peter 2:9-12

**Day 5**

* **Read:** Romans 12:1-2
* **Devotional:** Paul urges us to offer our lives as living sacrifices — not in a one-time moment, but daily. Discipleship transforms everything. As our minds are renewed by God’s Word and Spirit, our purpose shifts. What once seemed mundane becomes meaningful. We don’t conform to the patterns of the world, but we learn to live out God’s will — His good, pleasing, and perfect will. That includes how we spend our time, treat people, and think about success. It’s not flashy — it’s faithful.
* **Questions:**
  + What would it look like to offer your day to God today?
  + How is God transforming your thinking lately?
* **Additional Scriptures:** 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Galatians 2:20

**Week 2**

**Identity in Christ**

**Day 6**

* **Read:** John 1:12-13
* **Devotional:**  
  To all who receive Him, Jesus gives the right to become children of God. Identity starts with belonging — not to a system or a status, but to a Father. You are not an accident or an afterthought. You are a child of God, born not of human effort but by His grace. In Christ, you are fully known and fully loved. Today, walk in the confidence of being chosen and cherished by your heavenly Father.
* **Questions:**
  + What would change in your daily life if you truly believed you're God's child?
  + Where are you tempted to find identity outside of Jesus?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Romans 8:14-17, Galatians 3:26-29

**Day 7**

* **Read:** 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
* **Devotional:**  
  In Christ, you are a new creation. Your old identity — shaped by sin, shame, or success — is gone. You now live with a new purpose: to be an ambassador for Christ. You’re not just saved from something; you’re saved for something. Let your life reflect the transformation God has worked in you. Represent Jesus in every conversation, every choice, every moment.
* **Questions:**
  + How has your life changed since knowing Christ?
  + What does being Christ’s ambassador mean to you this week?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Colossians 3:1-4, Titus 3:3-7

**Day 8**

* **Read:** 1 Peter 2:9-10
* **Devotional:**  
  God says you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation. You are set apart to declare His praise. This isn’t about pride — it’s about purpose. You belong to God, and your life points others to Him. Even when you feel overlooked or ordinary, God sees you as significant. You have a spiritual identity that speaks louder than any label this world could give you.
* **Questions:**
  + What does it mean to you that you are “God’s possession”?
  + Where can you declare God’s goodness this week?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Exodus 19:5-6, Revelation 1:4-6

**Day 9**

* **Read:** Colossians 3:12-17
* **Devotional:**  
  Because of who you are in Christ — holy and dearly loved — you can live differently. Paul gives a powerful list of what your new life looks like: compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience. These aren’t traits to fake — they flow from the Spirit’s work in you. Your identity leads to your lifestyle. Let the peace of Christ rule in your heart and His word dwell richly in your life today.
* **Questions:**
  + Which part of your new identity do you struggle to live out?
  + What would it look like to “put on” Christ’s character today?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Romans 13:12-14, Ephesians 4:22-24

**Week 3**

**Your Home Can Be Headquarters for Local Mission**

**Day 10**

* **Read:** Micah 6:8
* **Devotional:** What does God require of us? To act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with Him. These simple words carry profound impact — especially when we think about our homes. Justice begins with how we treat others in our daily space. Mercy is shown in how we forgive and care. Humility invites God into every decision. Your home can be a place where God’s character is known and shown. It’s not about having a perfect space — it’s about having a surrendered heart.
* **Questions:**
  + How can your home reflect God’s justice, mercy, and humility?
  + What’s one change you could make to be more intentional with your space?
* **Additional Scriptures:** James 1:27, Romans 12:9-13

**Day 11**

* **Read:** Joshua 24:14-15
* **Devotional:** Joshua’s bold declaration was not just personal — it was household-wide: “As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.” This wasn’t about having a perfect family or a spotless home. It was about choosing daily who would reign in their space. Every home has a culture — a tone. Will yours reflect trust in God or distraction by the world? As disciples, we get to lead our households in serving, worshiping, and honoring the Lord. Whether you live alone or with others, your home can be a statement of faith in action.
* **Questions:**
  + What does it mean for your household to serve the Lord?
  + What steps can you take to make your home more focused on Christ?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Deuteronomy 6:4-9

**Day 12**

* **Read:** Luke 10:25-37
* **Devotional:** The story of the Good Samaritan is a call to love our neighbors — not just in theory, but in action. Often, our closest neighbors are the ones living right beside us. Do we know their names? Their stories? Loving our neighbor might mean offering a meal, lending a hand, or simply listening. God can use your acts of compassion to draw people toward Himself. Your home is not just your shelter — it’s your ministry outpost.
* **Questions:**
  + Who is a neighbor God is inviting you to love more intentionally?
  + How can you turn your compassion into action this week?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Romans 13:8-10, Galatians 5:13-14

**Day 13**

* **Read:** Acts 16:13-15
* **Devotional:** Lydia opened her home to Paul and the early church. Her hospitality became a powerful witness. The church often began in homes, and still today, homes are one of the most impactful places for faith to grow. You don’t need a big house or elaborate meals — just a willingness to welcome. God works through everyday settings when we invite Him in.
* **Questions:**
  + What fears or barriers hold you back from opening your home?
  + How can you practice hospitality with purpose?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Romans 12:13, Proverbs 3:27-28

**Day 14**

* **Read:** Acts 2:46-47
* **Devotional:** The early church didn’t just meet in temples or public places — they met in homes. Acts tells us they broke bread together, shared life, and praised God with glad hearts. The result? The Lord added to their number daily. There’s something powerful about everyday faith expressed in ordinary places. You don’t need a stage or a strategy — you just need a table, some time, and a heart open to others. When people experience the love of Jesus through community, they are drawn to Him.
* **Questions:**
  + What does it look like to be part of a community like the early church?
  + How could your home become a place of fellowship and growth in faith?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Hebrews 10:24-25, Romans 12:13

**Day 15**

* **Read:** Matthew 9:9-13
* **Devotional:** Jesus reclined at the table with sinners and tax collectors — He wasn’t afraid to be present in the mess of people’s lives. When we open our homes to those who are far from God, we mirror the heart of Jesus. It’s not about having the right answers or a perfect house. It’s about being present, real, and full of grace. Let your home become a place where people feel seen, heard, and loved.
* **Questions:**
  + How can you reflect Jesus's presence in the way you welcome others?
  + Who might God be calling you to invite to your table?
* **Additional Scriptures:** Luke 19:1-10, Revelation 3:20

**Week 4:**

**Serving Jesus at and Through Our Jobs**

**Day 16:**

* **Main Passage**: Colossians 3:22–25
* **Devotional**:  
  The Bible doesn’t separate “sacred” and “secular” work. All work, when done with a heart to serve Jesus, becomes worship. Paul reminds believers that whatever we do, we are to work at it with all our heart, as if we’re working for the Lord—not just for human bosses. Whether you’re in an office, a classroom, a warehouse, or at home, your work can glorify God. When we do our jobs with excellence, integrity, and joy, we reflect Christ to the people around us and show that our ultimate boss is the Lord.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + How would your work change if you viewed it as worship to God?
  + Are there any habits or attitudes you need to surrender to serve Christ more fully in your job?
* **Supporting Passages**: Ephesians 6:5–8; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

**Day 17:**

* **Main Passage**: Luke 16:10–13
* **Devotional**:  
  Jesus teaches that faithfulness in small things reflects our trustworthiness in greater things. In the context of work, this means showing up, doing our best, and being honest—even when no one’s watching. God is less interested in how prestigious our job is and more concerned with how faithfully we carry it out. Your attitude in the mundane tasks of your job may be one of the clearest indicators of your discipleship. Small acts of faithfulness at work can build a big testimony of trust and witness.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + What “small” tasks at work might be opportunities to honor God?
  + Are there any ways you’re tempted to cut corners or compromise integrity?
* **Supporting Passages**: Proverbs 12:11; Ecclesiastes 9:10

**Day 18:**

* **Main Passage**: Philippians 2:14–16
* **Devotional**:  
  Paul encourages believers to shine like stars in a dark world—and one of the key ways he says to do that? By not grumbling or arguing. Your attitude at work can be one of your greatest witnesses. The way you treat coworkers, respond to stress, or handle criticism speaks volumes. You don’t have to preach from your desk, but your life can preach hope, peace, and grace in the middle of pressure and deadlines. Don’t underestimate how powerfully God can use you in your workplace.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + What kind of “light” are you shining at your job?
  + Is your attitude helping or hurting your witness?
* **Supporting Passages**: Matthew 5:14–16; Titus 2:7–8

**Day 19:**

* **Main Passage**: Exodus 20:8–11
* **Devotional**:  
  In the middle of a culture that idolizes productivity, God commands rest. The Sabbath isn’t just about taking a day off—it’s a declaration that we trust God to sustain us, even when we stop. As disciples, we honor God when we work hard, but also when we rest well. Taking time to rest restores our bodies and realigns our priorities. It reminds us that our identity is not found in our jobs but in being sons and daughters of God.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + Do you regularly build rhythms of rest into your week?
  + What might need to change in your schedule to better reflect trust in God?
* **Supporting Passages**: Matthew 11:28–30; Psalm 127:1–2

**Day 20:**

* **Main Passage**: Jeremiah 29:4–7
* **Devotional**:  
  Even while in exile, God instructed His people to seek the welfare of the city where they lived. He wanted them to contribute to the well-being of their communities. In the same way, disciples of Jesus are called to work for the good of others—not just for a paycheck. When we see our work as a way to serve our communities, coworkers, and customers, we reflect the heart of God. Our work becomes a way to love our neighbors.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + How does your work serve or bless others?
  + Are there new ways you can contribute to the good of your community through your job?
* **Supporting Passages**: Micah 6:8; Galatians 6:9–10

**Week 5**

**Everyday Prayers**

**Day 21:**

* **Main Passage**: Luke 11:1–4
* **Devotional**:  
  When Jesus’ disciples saw how He prayed, they didn’t ask Him how to preach, heal, or lead—they asked, “Lord, teach us to pray.” Prayer is the heartbeat of discipleship. It’s not just for emergencies or church services; it’s for every moment. Jesus gave us a model that reminds us to focus on God’s holiness, His kingdom, daily needs, forgiveness, and protection. True disciples keep returning to the Father in prayer.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + What does your prayer life currently look like?
  + How could you begin practicing this prayer daily in your own words?
* **Supporting Passages**: Matthew 6:9–13; Philippians 4:6

**Day 22:**

* **Main Passage**: 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18
* **Devotional**:  
  Paul encourages believers to rejoice always, pray continually, and give thanks in everything. That sounds impossible—until we realize that “praying without ceasing” is less about constant talking and more about continual awareness of God's presence. Disciples walk through the day with an open heart toward God, turning everyday moments into conversations with Him.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + How can you remind yourself of God’s presence throughout the day?
  + What are some natural moments in your day where you can pause to pray?
* **Supporting Passages**: Psalm 62:8; Ephesians 6:18

**Day 23:**

* **Main Passage**: 1 Timothy 2:1–4
* **Devotional**:  
  Part of being a disciple is caring for the people God has placed in your life—and one of the most powerful ways to care is through prayer. Paul urges us to pray for everyone, including leaders and people in authority. Our prayers can shape our families, neighborhoods, and workplaces. Prayer invites God’s power into everyday spaces.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + Who in your life needs prayer right now?
  + How can you make prayer for others part of your daily routine?
* **Supporting Passages**: Colossians 1:9–12; James 5:16

**Day 24:**

* **Main Passage**: Psalm 62:5–8
* **Devotional**:  
  Being a disciple doesn’t mean you have it all together—it means you bring everything to God. The psalmist reminds us that we can pour out our hearts to God, trusting Him as our refuge. In hard times, prayer isn’t about pretty words; it’s about honest connection. God listens. He sees. He cares. And He invites us to come to Him, especially when we’re worn out.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + Are there things you’ve been holding back from bringing to God?
  + What would it look like to pour out your heart to Him today?
* **Supporting Passages**: Philippians 4:6–7; Hebrews 4:16

**Day 25:**

* **Main Passage**: John 15:4–5
* **Devotional**:  
  Jesus invites us to abide in Him—to stay connected like branches to a vine. That’s what prayer is: abiding. A disciple doesn’t just check in with God occasionally but lives in constant connection with Him. This final day reminds us that the power to live as an everyday disciple comes not from trying harder, but from staying close to Jesus through prayer and dependence.
* **Reflection Questions**:
  + What rhythms help you stay connected to Jesus?
  + How can you cultivate a life of prayer beyond this devotional series?
* **Supporting Passages**: Psalm 1:1–3; Colossians 4:2