THE ESSENTIALS OF DISCIPLE-MAKING

LIVING A GOSPEL LIFESTYLE

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

MATTHEW 22:34-40; ROMANS 12:1-2

1.	TRUE DISCIPLESHIP MEANS	FOR A LIFETIME.
	Romans 12:1-2	
2.	TRUE DISCIPLESHIP MEANSA LIFETIME.	FOR
	Matthew 22:34-38	
3.	TRUE DISCIPLESHIP MEANS	FOR A LIFETIME.
	Matthaw 22:30 40	

APPLY

Second Corinthians 5:14 says, "the love of Christ compels us." How are you compelled to love God or love others this week? How can you ask another believer for support as you pursue that commitment?



LOOKING TO NEXT WEEK...

LESSON #5

OBEDIENCE—THE HEART OF DISCIPLESHIP

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

JOHN 14:15-17; 1 CORINTHIANS 10:23-11:1; 13:1-3

THE LESSON AT A GLANCE

Over the last few weeks, we have examined the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:36-40) and the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20). In the Great Commandment, Jesus taught that loving God and loving others is the ultimate expression of the law. In the Great Commission, He commanded us to make disciples both by baptizing new believers and by teaching them to obey His commands.

In John 14:15 Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commands." When we love Christ sincerely, we want to obey His commands to love God with all our hearts, souls, and minds, and to love others as much as we love ourselves. Everything in Scripture points to these two pillars.

As we follow Christ, our obedience and love should be an example for others to imitate, not because we are perfect followers of Jesus but because we follow a perfect Savior who helps us walk in obedience and love.

THE MAIN IDEA

Jesus said if we love Him, we will obey His commands. As we reach people for Christ, we also help them to mature in the faith through loving obedience to Him.

QUESTIONS TO EXPLORE

Can I really say I love God if I willingly choose to disobey Him? What needs to shift for me to live authentically in Christ in both love and obedience?

