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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

10-020-12 THE CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

- 4:40 Matthew 28:19-20 ...Go and make disciples..... Jesus did not say make converts and church members, but disciples.
- 6:30 The word Disciple appears more than 250 times in the four gospels. A disciple is a learner, one who is under instruction. Different than Apostle. Apostle means one who is sent out. One is first a disciple and then perhaps an Apostle. An Apostle is always to remain a disciple.
- 10:50 Jesus spoke as one having authority. He attracted people with differing motivations and stances. **1**. Some were Curious only, **2**. Some were Convinced, John 2:1-11 (Water into Wine, so his disciples believed and had faith in him). **3**. Some were Committed.
- 13:15 Matthew 16:13-20 The Disciples are asked by Jesus who do the people say that I am? Then (verse 15) Jesus asks Peter Who do you say that I am? One of the 3 most important questions of life. Peter answers, you are the Christ. Belief, conviction and trust.
- 16:45 John 6:67-69 The twelve disciples declare that they believe Jesus is the Holy One of God.
- 18:00 Luke 9:23-27 After the Curious and after the Convinced there comes a third category of followers The Committed. "If anyone would come after me, he must deny

himself and take up his cross daily and follow me". If you are really going to be a disciple you need to die to self every day. We die to the degree that we turn away from ourselves and unto the Lord Jesus Christ. The old things pass away.

So one could be a believer and not be a disciple. One could be a convinced person and not be a disciple.

24:00 Luke 14:25-27 Although Jesus was attracting large crowds (a success in the world's eyes), he was very straightforward about the cost of discipleship. Teaching on the hard saying of verses 26-27.

Jesus is not preaching hate, but making the point that a disciple will have his relationship with God so intimate that all other relationships will appear as hatred by comparison – so great is the love of a disciple for his Lord.

Jesus told the truth, painful as it may seem. He did not tailor his message to the appetite of his hearers.

- 33:30 John 6:66 "From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him". Some of Jesus' teachings turned people away from the deeper journey.
- 33:50 1 John 2:19 Not all will stick with it. Many will listen, some will believe, few will follow.
- 37:20 Matthew 11:28-30 Jesus is not asking us to go it alone. He says that his yoke is easy and his burden is light. He will enable us if we are willing.

Matt. 28:19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

John 2:1 On the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; 2 Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. 3 When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. 9 When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." 11 This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Matt. 16:13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that the Son of man is?" 14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" 16 Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." 17 And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. 18 And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

<u>John 6:67</u> Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" <u>68</u> Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life; <u>69</u> and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy

One of God."

Luke 9:23 And he said to all, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake, he will save it. 25 For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? 26 For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels. 27 But I tell you truly, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God."

<u>Luke 14:25</u> Now great multitudes accompanied him; and he turned and said to them, <u>26</u> "If any one comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. <u>27</u> Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

<u>John 6:66</u> After this many of his disciples drew back and no longer went about with him.

<u>1John 2:19</u> They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out, that it might be plain that they all are not of us.

Matt. 11:28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."