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Part 1: What is a Disciple?

Matthew 28:18-20 (ESV)-And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

DEFINING DISCIPLE

A Genuine Disciple is a believer, follower, worshipper, and imitator of Jesus Christ.

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The Breakdown

1. A BELIEVER

John 14:1 (ESV)-"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.

1 Peter 1:8 (ESV)-Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory

Discipleship not head knowledge but heart knowledge.

2. A FOLLOWER

Matthew 4:19 (ESV)-And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

John 15:5 (ESV)-. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

Discipleship not a fan but a follower.

3. A WORSHIPPER

Matthew 14:33 (ESV)-And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God.

Matthew 28:9 (ESV)-And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him.

Discipleship not equality, but joyful submission.

4. AN IMITATOR

Ephesians 5:1-2 (ESV)-Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God

John 15:8 (ESV)-By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

Discipleship not rigid, but organic.

Here Is The Point: Genuine disciples can be identified and anyone can be a genuine disciple.