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All scriptures are printed verbatim with translations noted.

Part 9: Disciples Follow

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.

*Disciples multiply with his power.
Disciples multiply with his strategy.
Disciples multiply with his message.
Disciples multiply with his presence.*

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Disciples Follow

1. DESPITE FAILURE

John 21:15-17 (ESV)- When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

Micah 7:8 (ESV)- Our enemies have no reason to gloat over us. We have fallen, but we will rise again. We are in darkness now, but the Lord will give us light.

2. DESPITE THE COST

John 21:18-19 (ESV)-Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me.

Philippians 3:7-8 (ESV)-But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ

3. DESPITE WHAT OTHERS DO

John 21:21-22 (ESV)-When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?" Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow me!"

Luke 14: 27 (ESV)-Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

Here Is The Point: The eighth principle to discipleship is following.