

# A followers lead

## 1. How Jesus approached reaching the world

Disciple - is one who follows the teachings or doctrines of a person whom he or she considers to be a master or authority

Jesus Example (Came to seek and save that which was lost)

1. Shortly into Jesus public ministry He called His disciples Mark 1:15-16
2. He later chooses 70 and sends them out two by two Luke 10:1

**Why?** Why did Jesus want to so closely train these 12?

Benefits of being a disciple

- A. They go to learn in a more personal setting from the Jesus
- B. They were able to watch how Jesus handled himself

### **With Religious leaders like the pharisee -**

Luk 11:39 And the Lord said unto him, Now do ye Pharisees make clean the outside of the cup and the platter; but your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness.

### **When rejected by the Samaritans -**

Luk 9:54 And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? Luk 9:55 But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. Luk 9:56 For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village.

### **When the woman was caught in the very act of adultery-**

Joh 8:10 When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? Joh 8:11 She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.

Mat 28:19 Go ye therefore, and **teach** all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost

Mat 28:20 **Teaching** them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Why not preaching to them? Aren't we saved by the foolishness of preaching ?

1Co 1:21 For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, **it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe**

**True**, but we can be converted, saved experience the baptism of the Holy Ghost, Shout, dance, worship unashamed **and know absolutely nothing**.

**The Holy Ghost in us, saves us..But the Holy Ghost working through us that can save others**

## **2. Barnabas and Paul**

*Act 4:36 And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus,Act 4:37 Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.*

### **Key Verses**

**Act 9:26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.**

**Act 9:27 But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus.**

### **Peter tells the Apostles about revival with the Gentiles**

**Act 11:22 Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem: and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.Act 11:23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.Act 11:24 For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.Act 11:25 Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul:Act 11:26 And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.**

**Antioch** was one of the places the church spread to under Paul's persecution. It is thought that Barnabas paved the way for him so that the family of those Paul may have persecuted would receive him. Acts 11:25

The Ministry of Barnabas and Paul

Acts 13:2-12, 43, 46, 50, 14:8, 19, 15:1-41

### **3. Can't be a know it all (Elisha and Gehazi)**

2Ki 5:1 Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honourable, because by him the LORD had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, but he was a leper  
Pupil - is one under the close supervision of a teacher, either because of youth or of specialization in some branch of study

2Ki 5:10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.

2Ki 5:15 And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that there is no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, take a blessing of thy servant.

2Ki 5:16 But he said, As the LORD liveth, before whom I stand, I will receive none. And he urged him to take it; but he refused.

**2Ki 5:20 But Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said, Behold, my master hath spared Naaman this Syrian, in not receiving at his hands that which he brought: but, as the LORD liveth, I will run after him, and take somewhat of him.**

2Ki 5:21 So Gehazi followed after Naaman. And when Naaman saw him running after him, he lighted down from the chariot to meet him, and said, Is all well?  
2Ki 5:22 And he said, All is well. **My master hath sent me, saying, Behold, even now there be come to me from mount Ephraim two young men of the sons of the prophets: give them, I pray thee, a talent of silver, and two changes of garments.**  
2Ki 5:23 And Naaman said, Be content, take two talents. And he urged him, and bound two talents of silver in two bags, with two changes of garments, and laid them upon two of his servants; and they bare them before him.

**2Ki 5:25 But he went in, and stood before his master. And Elisha said unto him, Whence comest thou, Gehazi? And he said, Thy servant went no whither.**  
2Ki 5:26 And he said unto him, Went not mine heart with thee, when the man turned again from his chariot to meet thee? Is it a time to receive money, and to receive garments, and oliveyards, and vineyards,

**and sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and maidservants?2Ki 5:27 The leprosy therefore of Naaman shall cleave unto thee, and unto thy seed for ever. And he went out from his presence a leper as white as snow.**

#### **4. Eli and Samuel (Samuel desired to hear from his teacher (Find someone to speak into your life, to mentor you)**

Samuel ran to Eli 3 times because he thought his master was calling him

He respected his input into his life enough to run out of bed so he could hear from him

1Sa 3:4 That the LORD called Samuel: and he answered, Here am I.1Sa 3:5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and lay down.1Sa 3:6 And the LORD called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again.1Sa 3:7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the LORD yet revealed unto him.1Sa 3:8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the LORD had called the child.

#### **4. As Pupils: 2ki 13:14-20 Elisha and Joash**

##### **A. We need to believe what is spoken receive what is spoken into our lives Lessons from the anointed of God (The Older teach the younger)**

2Ki 13:14 Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness whereof he died. And Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and said, O my father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof.2Ki 13:15 And Elisha said unto him, Take bow and arrows. And he took unto him bow and arrows.2Ki 13:16 And he said to the king of Israel, Put thine hand upon the bow. And he put his hand upon it: and Elisha put his hands upon the king's hands.2Ki 13:17 And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened it. Then Elisha said, Shoot. And he shot. And he said, The arrow of the LORD'S deliverance, and the arrow of deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed them.2Ki 13:18 And he said, Take the arrows. And he took

them. And he said unto the king of Israel, Smite upon the ground. And he smote thrice, and stayed. 2Ki 13:19 And the man of God was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldest have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed it: whereas now thou shalt smite Syria but thrice. 2Ki 13:20 And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year.

He was humbled by the prophet (He let a feeble dying man guide his hand on the bow.

The prophet spoke, the king listened, How did he respond??

**How we respond to what we have heard reveals the degree to which we believe it!**

**Not enough for us to hear the encouragement, receive the guidance while our teacher is present WE MUST BELIEVE IT WITH EVERYTHING WE ARE! BECAUSE IF WE DON'T BELIEVE IT THAN HOW WILL WE GET ANYONE ELSE TO BELIEVE IT?**