

**Valley Bible Church  
Sermon Notes for September 8, 1985**

**The Meaning of Discipleship  
Matthew 10:24-42  
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Introduction:

Can we become Christians without becoming disciples? No! **Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 11:26** Why do we not call ourselves disciples? **Luke 9:21-26, Luke 14:25-35**

To be disciples of Christ we commit ourselves to Christ as the teacher to become what He is. **Luke 6:40** We are learners but also the clay to be molded, to be conformed to Christ's image, to be like Him.

Discipleship is a transfer of a way of life, not a transfer of information.  
**1 Corinthians 4:16, 1 Corinthians 11:1** Be imitators, become like me.  
**Philippians 3:17** Follow the example, observe. **Philippians 4:9** Practice a WAY OF LIFE.

If to become like Jesus is not the desire of our heart, we have not become disciples. **Matthew 10:24** A disciple is not above his teacher. What Jesus is saying is that the student will have the same experiences of life as the teacher. In becoming like Him we will experience more and more of what Christ experienced. **Verse 25** It is enough, it is sufficient to become like Christ.

**THIS IS ENOUGH, TO BE LIKE JESUS!**