

Introduction

- I. What is a disciple of Christ?
- II. In the passage we consider how a man becomes a disciple of Christ.

Disciples of Christ: 1. Called to Be Disciples

I. The Command

- A. We are disciples because Jesus calls us to be His disciples.
 1. We find this command to follow in a number of stories.

2. What was Jesus commanding Matthew to do?
- B. We are disciples because of the saving call of Jesus Christ.
 1. This is not an invitation, but the saving, powerful, effectual call of Jesus.

2. We become disciples because of the irresistible command of Jesus Christ.

II. The Elements

- ~~A. Love - disciples of Jesus Christ love Him passionately and fervently.~~
- B. Repentance
- C. Obedience
- D. Commitment and dedication

III. The Cost - we must understand that obeying the command to follow Jesus is costly.

- A. We need to understand this because there is the thinking today that grace is cheap.
- B. True discipleship is much different - it is costly. What does this mean?