

STUDY GUIDE | MAY 2, 2021

FAN OR FOLLOWER?

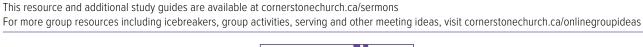
THE POINTS FROM THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE WERE:

- Disciple Someone who follows Jesus as Master.
- Discipleship BEING with Jesus to LEARN from Jesus how to BECOME like Jesus.
- Discipleship to Jesus is not optional for Christians—it's what being a Christian is all about.
- Discipleship involves learning to obey everything Jesus has commanded.
- Obeying Jesus requires opening your life to His empowering presence.
- Discipleship Pathway 5 Es:
 - ESTABLISH Identity in Jesus
 - EMBODY the Jesus Way of Life
 - EXPLORE Jesus' Call to Life Mission
 - EXTEND Jesus' Love in Life Mission
 - EXPERIENCE Jesus' Care & Healing

LET'S TALK

- 1. What impacted you the most from this week's message?
- 2. What comes to mind when you think of the word "discipleship"?
- 3. Compare that to this definition: Discipleship is BEING with Jesus, to LEARN from Jesus how to BECOME like Jesus.
 - What are some similarities and differences between this definition and the way you've thought about discipleship in the past?
 - What strikes you about this definition of discipleship?
- 4. Do you think most people consider discipleship optional for Christians? Why or why not?
- 5. Kyle Idleman says:
 - It may seem like there are many followers of Jesus, but if they were honestly to define the relationship they have with him I'm not sure it would be accurate to describe them as followers. It seems to me that there is a more suitable word to describe them. They are not followers of Jesus. They are fans of Jesus.

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How would you describe the difference between a fan of Jesus and a follower?

6. Read Matt. 28:18-20. In his Great Commission, Jesus gives his disciples a mission. What promise does he make that will help them to carry this out? How can that be an encouragement for you? What is one way this week you can open yourself more to the empowering presence of Jesus?

LET'S PRAY

Spend some time in prayer (for each other, for our community and for the world).

Please keep Cornerstone in your prayers as we anticipate an eventual return to in-person ministries. Use this **Prayer Guide** in your personal and small group and family prayer times.