



- What is a disciple?
- Disciples are those who have made themselves available for spiritual training and have devoted themselves to a lifetime of learning.
- Disciples want to grow and learn in their relationship with Christ.
- Let's focus on four keys to possessing this growing relationship with Christ.

**First, you must get established in the Word of God.
vs. 21-22**

- Evangelizing involves the salvation of souls.
- Discipling involves the strengthening of souls through God's Word.
- Baby Christians must be fed so they can grow and mature in their faith.
- *"As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby."* **1 Peter 2:2**
- *"That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive..."*

- *“...But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ.”* **Ephesians 4:14-15**

Second, you need encouragement from those who are more _____ in the Lord. vs. 22

- *“That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto. For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know.”* **1 Thessalonians 3:3-4**
- Every new Christian needs a more mature disciple of Christ to be there when the going gets tough.
- You impress lives from a distance, but you only _____ them one on one.
- Biblical discipleship is sharing _____ with _____.
- *“And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”* **2 Timothy 2:2**
- *“But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience.”* **2 Timothy 3:10**
- *“Rebuke not an elder, but intreat him as a father; and the younger men as brethren; The elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, with all purity.”* **1 Timothy 5:1-2**
- Every believer needs a spiritual _____.