

True Discipleship

John 8:30-47

Throughout the gospels, Jesus constantly challenged His listeners not just to be spiritual or believe in God in a general way, but specifically to believe in and follow Him, which Jesus declares is true discipleship.

Condition: Abiding in Jesus' Word [Faith]

Ongoing action –continue, hold to, remain

Finds its place in us (*vs. 37*)

The works of Abraham (*vs. 39*)

(*Genesis 12-25, Romans 4, Galatians 3, James 2:14-26*)

Being of God (*vs. 47*)

Result: Knowing the Truth

From God (*vs. 40*)

Rejecting the devil's lies (*vs. 44*)

(*Genesis 3:1, 2 Corinthians 11:14*)

Sinless character of Jesus (*vs. 46*)

Purpose: Complete Freedom

From slavery to sin (*vs. 34-36*)

To love Jesus and the Father (*vs. 42*)