

## THE CALLING OF A DISCIPLE

The following are five pillars of a disciple's life, expressed in the form of a personal commitment. And, as a follower of Christ, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, I endeavor to live out the following...

**1. To love Christ first in my life.**

Matthew 22:37-38 *Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment."* (Luke 14:26; Revelation 2:4-5)

**2. To surrender my ways to Him and be led by His Spirit.**

Mark 8:34-35 *Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it."* (Galatians 2:20; Romans 8:14)

**3. To remain and be trained in His Word, the Bible, and to keep it as the standard of my life.**

John 8:31-32 *To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."* (John 17:17)

**4. To love my Christian brothers and sisters with God's love.**

John 13:34-35 *A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.* (Matthew 22:37-40)

**5. To make disciples who follow Christ with the same passion with which I follow and obey Christ.**

Matthew 28:18-20 *Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."* (Philippians 4:9-11)

