

The Life of Christ's Disciple

"The Disciple's Pursuit"

Matthew 6:24-34

Christ's Disciples Are Called to His Exclusive Service—vs. 24

1. Principle of Discipleship: "No one can serve two masters"
 - We either serve God or Mammon (Exodus 20:30)
 - We serve the master we love: (Deut. 6:5; Luke 8:14)
2. Prevailing Passions: Life is more than....things
 - Love or hate (Psalm 62:10; Luke 21:34; 2 Tim. 3:4)
 - Loyal or despise

Christ's Disciples Are Called to Live by Faith—vs. 25-30

1. Prohibition of Discipleship: "Do not worry!"
(Psalm 37:1-7; Psalm 39:4-5; Luke 12:26; Phil. 4:6-7)
2. Principles of Discipleship: God will provide for His own
 - As God provides for all creation so He will provide for His own
(Psalm 23; Proverbs 10:22; Matt. 8:26; 14:31; 16:8; 1 Tim. 5:8; 6:17-19; 2 Thess. 3:10)
 - As God values His creatures so He even more values His own

Christ's Disciples Are Called to Seek the Ultimate Priority—vs.31-34

1. Principle of Discipleship: Misplaced passion characterizes unbelievers
 - Our anxiety is misplaced passion
 - Our Father knows what we need (Luke 12:4-7; 1 Tim. 6:11; 2 Tim. 2:22)
2. Prevailing Priority: "Seek 1st the kingdom of God & His righteousness"
3. Promise of God: "All these things will be added unto you"
4. Conclusion: "Do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

Next Week:
The Disciple's Vision
Matthew 9:35-38