



GENUINE DISCIPLE

PART 2: FOLLOW ME

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hyp·o·crite: a person who pretends to have virtues, moral or religious beliefs, principles, etc., that he or she does not actually possess, especially a person whose actions contradict stated beliefs.

Matthew 23:27-28 Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean. 28 In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness.

gen·u·ine: 1) actually having the reputed or apparent qualities or character; not counterfeit; authentic; real: 2) descended from the original stock; pure in breed: 3) actually produced by or proceeding from the alleged source or author

WHAT IS A GENUINE DISCIPLE?

1. The more accurately our lives _____ His, the more genuine we are.
2. "Follow me" is an invitation to be in a _____.

Matthew 4:19 NKJV Then he said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Matthew 11:28-30 Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

3. Only when we embrace the magnitude of His _____ will we be _____ in our role as one of His disciples.

Romans 8:31-39 (NLT)

Ephesians 3:17b-19 . . . And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how WIDE and LONG and HIGH and DEEP is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

4. Discipleship begins with a _____ change: "I know who Christ is and I make a _____ to follow Him."

Luke 9:23-25 Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. 25 What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?"

**All scriptures are from the NIV translation unless otherwise noted.*