



## “Twelve Foundational Truths Jesus Taught His First Disciples” Lesson 7 – Peacemakers

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**Matthew 28:18 - 20** And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even to the end of the age.*” Amen.

Jesus told His Disciples to go and make Disciples, teaching them all things that He commanded (taught them). So, as His Disciples need to know two things; “What is a Disciple and “What did Jesus Teach His Disciples?”

I. What is a \_\_\_\_\_?

A. \_\_\_\_\_ - One who is a follower of Christ, one who sits at His feet as His pupil and learns from Him.

**Luke 14:25 - 33** - Now great multitudes went with Him. And He (Jesus) turned and said to them, “If anyone comes to Me and does not hate (love less) his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has *enough* to finish it— lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see *it* begin to mock him, saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ Or what king, going to make war against another king, does not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is still a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks conditions of peace. So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple. NKJV

**Matthew 16:24 - 26** - Then Jesus said to His **disciples**, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? NKJV

B. A \_\_\_\_\_ is one who comes to Christ; a \_\_\_\_\_ is one who follows Christ adhering to His way of life.

C. Jesus told us to go and make \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_.

D. Discipleship is not a \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ system, Jesus said that if we want to become His disciples we must deny ourselves, not try to get “help for ourselves”.

E. The Purpose of Discipleship is to train ourselves to \_\_\_\_\_ fleshly pleasures and \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves entirely to Christ and His Kingdom Purpose for our lives.

F. Discipleship is all about getting God's \_\_\_\_\_ in yours and imitating Him through your life.

## II. What did Jesus teach His first \_\_\_\_\_?

**Matthew 5:1-10** - And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the **poor in spirit**, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are **those who mourn**, For they shall be comforted. Blessed are the **meek**, For they shall **inherit the earth**. Blessed are those who **hunger** and **thirst** for righteousness, For they shall be filled. Blessed are the **merciful**, For they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the **pure in heart**, For they shall see God. Blessed are the **peacemakers**, For they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are **persecuted for righteousness' sake**, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. NKJV

A. So far we have studied \_\_\_\_\_ of the Twelve Foundational Truths Jesus Taught His First Disciples.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ - "If you don't know humility, you can't handle exaltation."
2. \_\_\_\_\_ - "If you don't know repentance, you can't handle sin."
3. \_\_\_\_\_ - "If you don't know meekness, you can't handle people."
4. \_\_\_\_\_ - "If you don't know spiritual hunger, you can't handle more of God".
5. \_\_\_\_\_ - "If you don't know mercy, you can't handle disappointments".
6. \_\_\_\_\_ - "If you don't know purity, you can't handle seeing God".

B. As followers of Jesus Christ, He wants us to know that He is more concerned with our " \_\_\_\_\_ " than He is our " \_\_\_\_\_ ".

C. Our \_\_\_\_\_ is who we are on the inside. Our \_\_\_\_\_ is who we want others to think we are.

D. When we work on building \_\_\_\_\_ Character first, everything else that we need will be added unto us.

**Matthew 6:32 - 33 (NKJV)** For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But **seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.**

## III. What is a \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 5:9 (NKJV)** - **Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God.**

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ - (Greek) eirenopoieo "to make peace" (eirene, and poieo, "to make").
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ - (Greek) eirene (i-ray'-nay); (to join); peace (literally or figuratively); by implication prosperity: KJV-- one, peace, quietness, rest, + set at one again.
- C. **W.E. Vines Expository Dictionary** - eirene means (at) one again' it is translated "peace". It describes (a) harmonious relationships between men, (b) between nations, (c) friendliness, (d) freedom from molestation, (e) order, in the State, (RV, 'peace,' KJV, 'quietness'); in the churches; (f) the harmonized relationships between God and man, accomplished through the gospel; (g) the sense of rest and contentment consequent thereon; The corresponding Hebrew word for the Greek word eirene, is " \_\_\_\_\_ ". And it primarily signifies, "Nothing missing, nothing broken, wholeness".

**John 14:27 (NKJV)** **Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.**

D. Jesus told His Disciples that He is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ "His Peace" to them.

- E. As children of God we are given God's \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. In order to experience God's peace, we must become \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. As Disciples of Jesus Christ He wants us to take His \_\_\_\_\_ that He has given to us, and use it to \_\_\_\_\_ our lives and everything we are connected to come in line with His Word.

IV. \_\_\_\_\_ vs. \_\_\_\_\_

- A. God wants us as His \_\_\_\_\_ (His offspring), to grow up and become His \_\_\_\_\_ (His reflection in spirit and in image) in this earth.
- B. Have you ever heard of a child being the " \_\_\_\_\_ " of his dad? This term came from the old English saying "that boy is the spirit and image" of his dad.
- C. **Romans 8:16-17** - The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children (5043) of God, and if children (5043), then heirs — heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together. NKJV
- D. \_\_\_\_\_ - NT:5043 teknon (tek'-non); a child (as produced): KJV - child, daughter, son.
- E. **Romans 8:13-14** - For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons (5207) of God. NKJV
- F. \_\_\_\_\_ - NT:5207 huioi (hwee-os'); - The Lord Jesus used "huioi" in a very significant way, as in **Matthew 5:9**, 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God,' and verses 44,45, 'Love your enemies, and pray for them that persecute you; that ye may be (become) sons of your Father which is in heaven.' (The disciples were to do these things, not in order that they might become children of God, but that, being children they might make the fact manifest in their character, might 'become sons.')
- G. **2 Corinthians 6:17-18** - Therefore "Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." 'I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons (5207) and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty.' NKJV
- H. **Galatians 4:1-7** - Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child (3516), does not differ at all from a slave, though he is master of all, but is under guardians and stewards until the time appointed by the father. Even so we, when we were children (3516), were in bondage under the elements of the world. But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son (5207), born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons (5207), God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son (5207) into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" Therefore, you are no longer a slave but a son (5207), and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ. NKJV
- I. \_\_\_\_\_ - NT:3516 nepios (nay'-pee-os); not speaking, i.e. an infant (minor); a simple-minded person, an immature Christian: KJV - babe, child (+ish).

***"One of the misunderstandings many people who receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior have, is they think that when they receive Jesus as their Lord and Savior, they have nothing else that they need to do."***

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V. Becoming a \_\_\_\_\_

A. Peace is a part of the fruit (evidence) of the Spirit that is sown into our hearts when we receive Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. But in order for us to receive the full blessing of our inheritance, we must not only let it be \_\_\_\_\_ in our hearts, but \_\_\_\_\_ in our lives if we desire to go from being children (offspring) of God, to becoming sons (reflection in image and character) of God.

B. “Until we grow up and become \_\_\_\_\_, we will not experience anything more in this world, than we experienced in this world before we came to Christ.” (See Galatians 4:1-7)

**Romans 8:19** - For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God.

**Romans 8:19 (J.B. Phillips Translation)** – “The whole creation is on tiptoe to see the wonderful sight of the sons (5207) of God coming into their own.”

C. Jesus wants us to grow up and take the peace (wholeness, nothing missing and nothing broken) that He has given to us and use it to make our \_\_\_\_\_ come in line with God’s \_\_\_\_\_ and His Peace.

D. We become “\_\_\_\_\_” by believing and speaking Gods word. Speak to the things that are out of line with God’s Word and tell them to be made whole (return to peace), come in line.

**Mark 4:35 - 41 (NKJV)** On the same day, when evening had come, **He said** to them, “**Let us cross over to the other side.**” Now when they had left the multitude, they took Him along in the boat as He was. And other little boats were also with Him. And **a great windstorm arose**, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling. But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, “Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?” **Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace, be still!”** And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.

**Peacemaker Scriptures**

**Romans 12:18 (NKJV)** If it is possible, as much as depends on you, **live peaceably with all men.**

**Romans 14:19 (NKJV)** Therefore **let us pursue the things *which make* for peace and the things by which one may edify another.**

**2 Corinthians 13:11 (NKJV)** - Finally, brethren, farewell. Become complete. Be of good comfort, be of one mind, **live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.**

**2 Timothy 2:22 - 24 (NKJV)** Flee also youthful lusts; but **pursue** righteousness, faith, love, **peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife. And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient,**

**Hebrews 12:14 (NKJV)** Pursue peace with all *people*, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord:

**James 3:16 - 18 (NKJV)** For where envy and self-seeking *exist*, confusion and every evil thing *are* there. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then **peaceable**, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. Now the fruit of righteousness is **sown in peace by those who make peace.**

**Psalms 34:14 (NKJV)** - Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it.

**1 Peter 3:11 (NKJV)** - *Let him turn away from evil and do good; Let him seek peace and pursue it.*