



## “Twelve Foundational Truths Jesus Taught His First Disciples” Lesson 12 – Finances

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**Matthew 28:18 - 20** <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. <sup>19</sup>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, <sup>20</sup>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 – 27, 33** - <sup>25</sup>Now great multitudes went with Him. And He (Jesus) turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup>“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. <sup>27</sup>And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. <sup>33</sup>So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple. NKJV

**Matthew 16:24 - 26** - <sup>24</sup>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. <sup>25</sup>For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>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

II. What did Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ His first Disciples?

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”.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ - “If you don’t know how to make peace, you can’t handle problems”.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ - “If you don’t know persecution, you can’t handle tribulation”.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ - “If you don’t influence, you can’t handle pressure”.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ - “If you don’t know prayer and fasting, you can’t handle demonic attacks”.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ - “If you don’t know forgiveness, you cannot be forgiven”.

B. Tonight we are continuing to study on “Twelve Foundational Truths Jesus Taught His First Disciples”. Let’s look at another foundational truth that Jesus taught His Disciples, \_\_\_\_\_.

III. What did Jesus teach His Disciples about \_\_\_\_\_?

**Matthew 6:19 - 21 (NKJV)** <sup>19</sup>“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; <sup>20</sup>but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

- A. Jesus taught us that our \_\_\_\_\_ and our \_\_\_\_\_ is tied together.
- B. As disciples (followers) of Jesus Christ, our \_\_\_\_\_ is to find out and lay hold of His thoughts about our lives and forsake and let go of our thoughts about our lives.
- C. We cannot separate our relationship with God from our \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. People try to justify their relationship with God and say; “God knows my heart and even though I don’t \_\_\_\_\_ or give \_\_\_\_\_ through the Church, that doesn’t mean I don’t love God.”
- E. **John 14:15 (NKJV)** <sup>15</sup>“If you \_\_\_\_\_ Me, keep My commandments.

IV. The Truth about \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Some try to justify themselves and say that we no longer have to tithe because that was under the Law of Moses and we are not under the \_\_\_\_\_, but under \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. New Testament Believers are not under the Law of Moses, we are under grace. However the tithe was not originated under the Law of Moses, it was originated 430 years before the Law by \_\_\_\_\_.

V. Although God brought Tithing into the \_\_\_\_\_, but it began with \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. **Genesis 14:18-24** - 18 Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. 19 And he blessed him and said: "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; 20 And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand." And he gave him a tithe of all. 21 Now the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, and take the goods for yourself." 22 But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "**I have raised my hand to the LORD, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth,** 23 that I will take nothing, from a thread to a sandal strap, and that I will not take anything that is yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich' — 24 except only what the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men who went with me: Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion." NKJV
- B. **Leviticus 27:30 (NKJV)** <sup>30</sup>And all the tithe of the land, *whether* of the seed of the land *or* of the fruit of the tree, *is* the LORD’S. It *is* holy to the LORD.
- C. **Malachi 3:8 - 10 (NKJV)** <sup>8</sup> “Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, ‘In what way have we robbed You?’ **In tithes and offerings.** 9 You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me, *Even* this whole nation. 10 **Bring all the tithes into the storehouse,** That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this,” Says the LORD of hosts, “If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you *such* blessing That *there will not be room* enough to receive it.
- D. **Galatians 3:16-18** - 16 Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ. 17 **And this I say, that**

the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. 18 For if the inheritance is of the law, it is no longer of promise; but **God gave it to Abraham by promise.** NKJV

E. **Galatians 3:13 - 14 (NKJV) 13 Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law,** having become a curse for us (for it is written, *“Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree”*), 14 **that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.**

F. **Galatians 3:26-29 - For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.** 27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 **And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.** NKJV

VI. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the tithe.

A. **Matthew 23:23 - 23** "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! **For you pay tithe** of mint and anise and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faith. **These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.** NKJV

B. **Matthew 5:17 (NKJV) - *“Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.***

C. Jesus did not come to destroy the Law; He gave us the power to take it to a higher \_\_\_\_\_.  
1. He said don't stop \_\_\_\_\_, that's good. But don't forget about; justice, mercy and faith.  
2. Jesus did not come to free us from the law against \_\_\_\_\_; He came to take us to a higher level of living, now we can live free from \_\_\_\_\_.  
3. Jesus did not come to free us from \_\_\_\_\_ and the need to \_\_\_\_\_, He told us to go the second mile.

VII. Jesus our High Priest Receives the \_\_\_\_\_ that New Testament Believers Bring into His Storehouse.

A. **Hebrews 7:1-17 - For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God,** who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, 2 **to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all,** first being translated "king of righteousness," and then also king of Salem, meaning "king of peace," 3 **without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually.** 4 Now consider how great this man was, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils. 5 And indeed those who are of the sons of Levi, who receive the priesthood, have a commandment to receive tithes from the people according to the law, that is, from their brethren, though they have come from the loins of Abraham; 6 **but he whose genealogy is not derived from them received tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises.** 7 Now beyond all contradiction the lesser is blessed by the better. 8 **Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he receives them, of whom it is witnessed that he lives.** 9 Even Levi, who receives tithes, **paid tithes through Abraham,** so to speak, 10 for he was still in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him. 11 Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise according to **the order of Melchizedek,** and not be called according to the order of Aaron? 12 **For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law.**

13 For He of whom these things are spoken belongs to another tribe, from which no man has officiated at the altar. 14 For it is evident that our Lord arose from Judah, of which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priesthood. 15 And it is yet far more evident if, in the likeness of Melchizedek, there arises another priest 16 who has come, **not according to the law of a fleshly commandment, but according to the power of an endless life.** 17 For He testifies: "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek." NKJV

- B. Jesus Christ, our High Priest after the order of Melchizedek, is the One who \_\_\_\_\_ our tithes in Heaven as we bring them into the storehouse (Church) here on earth.
- C. We don't give the tithe and offerings "\_\_\_ the church" we give "\_\_\_\_\_ the church, to Jesus."
- D. The High Priest did in the Old Testament received \_\_\_\_\_ and pronounced \_\_\_\_\_.

**VIII. Thoughts on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A. As disciples we \_\_\_\_\_ God with our money; we do not worship \_\_\_\_\_ as our God.
- B. The rich young ruler showed Jesus who His God was by what he did with his \_\_\_\_\_. (Mark 10)
- C. When Jesus asks us to leave something or give something, He is not trying to take something from you; He is \_\_\_\_\_ you to see if He can trust you with more.
- D. Jesus has no problem getting something to you if He knows He can get it \_\_\_\_\_ you!
- E. Christianity is all about \_\_\_\_\_. When we receive Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior we release ownership of our lives to Him. We give Him our life and He gives us His.
- F. When we see that our lives are no longer our own, but we have been bought with a price. It is easier to follow the owner's manual for every area of our life, including \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. When we make decisions based on financial \_\_\_\_\_ and not according to Gods \_\_\_\_\_, we are allowing money to become our God. But when we make decisions based on Gods direction and not how it will affect us financially, we are declaring to money that it is not our God, God is.
- H. God has no problem with you having \_\_\_\_\_, the only problem He has is for \_\_\_\_\_ to have you.
- I. Anything we have that we cannot \_\_\_\_\_ away; we do not have it, it has us.
- J. Money is a great \_\_\_\_\_, but a horrible \_\_\_\_\_.
- K. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the true test that shows God that we trust Him with all our hearts.
- L. When we bring the \_\_\_\_\_ into the storehouse we are saying to God that I worship you with everything I am and I could not do anything without your hand on my life.
- M. Our finances represent our \_\_\_\_\_. We trade our time, energy, ability and influence for finances.
- N. The motivation behind our giving is \_\_\_\_\_, the method by which we give is \_\_\_\_\_, the message we give is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Scriptures on Finances**

**1 Corinthians 6:20**  
**Deuteronomy 8:18**  
**1 Timothy 6:17**  
**1 Corinthians 9:11**  
**Galatians 6:6 - 10**

**Luke 12:15 - 34**  
**Proverbs 3:9 - 10**  
**Deuteronomy 14:22 - 25**  
**3 John 1:2**  
**1 Chronicles 29:3**