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# 2025 Integrated Study

## A Case Study Of Discipleship





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1. Disciples Called by Jesus
2. Disciples Taught by Jesus
- 3. Disciples Rebuked by Jesus**
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5. Disciples Withdraw & Pray with Jesus
6. Disciples Declare Jesus is Christ
7. Whole Life Discipleship/Discipleship Weekend (Sat 23<sup>rd</sup>-Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Aug.)
8. Disciples Cost to Follow Jesus
9. Disciples Deny & Abandon Jesus
10. Disciples Restored & Empowered by Jesus



A photograph of a narrow, gravelly path winding through a forest. Large, moss-covered tree trunks frame the path on both sides. The ground is covered with fallen yellow and orange leaves, suggesting autumn. The background shows more trees and foliage, creating a sense of depth.

# Study 3

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# Key Discipleship Lessons

- Jesus doesn't rebuke His disciples to humiliate them but **to shape them**.
- He rebukes not to shame, but **to sanctify**.
- The reason why He does this is because **He loves us** and He desires that we grow as His disciples.



## Luke 8:22-25

<sup>22</sup> One day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side of the lake." So they got into a boat and set out. <sup>23</sup> As they sailed, he fell asleep. A squall came down on the lake, so that the boat was being swamped, and they were in great danger.

<sup>24</sup> The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!" He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm.

<sup>25</sup> **"Where is your faith?" he asked his disciples.**

In fear and amazement they asked one another, "Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him."



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***Notice:- Jesus DOESN'T rebuke them for waking Him, nor for being afraid. Jesus REBUKES THEM for their LACK OF FAITH, for not trusting Him in the midst of the storm.***



## Luke 9:51-56

<sup>51</sup> As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; <sup>53</sup> but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them<sup>[b]</sup>?" <sup>55</sup> **But Jesus turned and rebuked them.** <sup>56</sup> Then he and his disciples went to another village.



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### Luke 19:10

*<sup>10</sup> For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."*

### John 3:16-17

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.





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## Hebrews 12:1-12

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup> fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup> Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

<sup>4</sup> In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. <sup>5</sup> And have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says,

“My son, do not make light of the Lord’s discipline,  
and do not lose heart when he rebukes you,  
<sup>6</sup> because the Lord disciplines the one he loves,  
and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.”



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<sup>7</sup> Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? <sup>8</sup> If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all. <sup>9</sup> Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live! <sup>10</sup> They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness. <sup>11</sup> No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees. <sup>13</sup> “Make level paths for your feet,” so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed.



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- **How teachable are you?**
- Do you receive correction with a hard heart or a humble one?
- Remember Jesus doesn't rebuke us in anger but in love (cf. Rev 3:19).
- Reflect on what Christ might be refining in you.