

CONNECT WITH THE MESSAGE

'Discipleship' – Matt 28v19-20

- 1) Had you realised that as a Christian you were also a disciple of Jesus and what did it mean to you?

- 2) a) What do you think of Jesus' definition of a disciple? (**Matt 28v19-20**)

b) What has it clarified for you?

- 3) a) Are you open to be discipled? That is to be taught to obey Jesus' commands, to receive and follow His instructions?

b) Are you a person who is open to receiving instructions? Are you good at following instructions?

c) What is the best way for you to receive an instruction?
 - i) By reading it in the Bible?
 - ii) By having explained by someone else?
 - iii) By seeing it practiced by another Christian?

- d) What is the last biblical instruction you remember receiving and following before Sunday?

- 4) Are you persuaded that God's instructions are the best for us? Can you think of one or more instruction where you have some doubt?

- 5) a) Do obeying God's commands always lead to positive outcomes?

b) Can you give a biblical example when it has not been so?

c) Has implementing God's instructions created problems for you? When and how?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read **Luke 6v46-49** with **2 Peter 1v3-12** and discuss.

CONNECT IN PRAYER

Rich is going to **Athens** on the **14th - 17th December** with Martyn Dunsford. Please pray for a fruitful time away together.

This Thursday is the final week of the **Alpha Course** and Rich will be talking on suffering. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to meet them in this last week.

Christmas Events: Please keep praying for The Traditional Carol Service on **Sunday 23rd December** at **7.30pm** and the Christmas Day service at **10:30am**. We handed out lots of flyers for these events at Late Night Shopping - please pray that people will respond to the invitation and come along.

CONNECT WITH CHURCH LIFE

The **Nativity** is on **Sunday 16th December** during the morning service. This is a great service to invite friends and family along to.

Please note that there will be **no 10am service** on the **23rd December** - the **Carol Service** will be in the evening at **7.30pm**.

Church Members Evening (advertised on the Diary Dates card as 'Church Together') is on **Thursday 10th January** at **7.45pm**, starting promptly at **8pm**. Please put this date in your diary and really make it a priority to be there.

Prayer Week 2013 is on **Sunday 13th - Saturday 19th January 2013**. Please put the date in your diaries and more details on the individual events during the week will be available soon.