

A TRUE DISCIPLES-FOLLOW ME PT3

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USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group.

For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is not to get through the

questions, but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships.

Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

true disciple; a **life-long, committed follower of the words and ways of Jesus**

Romans 3:23

For **all have sinned**; we all fall short of God's glorious standard.

SIN / grk – *Hamartano* = To miss the mark, wander off the path and break God's laws

Romans 5:12

When Adam sinned, the entire world was affected. Sin entered the human experience, and death was the result. And so death

followed sin, **casting its shadow over all humanity**, because all have sinned.

Psalm 51:5

For I was born a sinner—

yes, from the moment my mother conceived me.

Romans 3:10

“There is no one righteous, not even one;

True Disciples:

- 1. Identify sin for what it is**

1 Timothy 1:15

This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it: “Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners”—and I am the worst of them all.

True Disciples:

- 2. Embrace the only remedy for sin**

1 Peter 1:18-19

For you know that your lives were ransomed once and for all from the empty and futile way of life handed down from generation to generation. It was not a ransom payment of silver and gold, which eventually perishes, **but the precious blood of Christ**—who like a spotless, unblemished lamb was *sacrificed for us*.

Romans 5:1, 6-9

Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

⁶ For when the time was right, the Anointed One came and died to *demonstrate his love* for sinners who were entirely helpless, weak, and powerless to save themselves.

⁷ Now, who of us would dare to die for the sake of a wicked person? We can all understand if someone was willing to die for a truly noble person. ⁸ **But Christ proved God's passionate love for us by dying in our place while we were still sinners!**

⁹ And there is still much more to say of his unfailing love for us! For through the blood of Jesus God declares, "You are now righteous in my sight." And because of the sacrifice of Jesus, you will never experience the wrath of God.

True Disciples:

3. Get Back up

Luke 22:31-32

"Peter, my dear friend, listen to what I'm about to tell you. Satan has demanded to come and sift you like wheat and test your faith. ³² But I have prayed for you, Peter, that you would stay faithful to me no matter what comes. Remember this: **after you have turned back to me and have been restored**, make it your life mission to strengthen the faith of your brothers."

1 John 1:8-9 (TPT)

⁸ If we boast that we have no sin, we're only fooling ourselves and are strangers to the truth. ⁹ But if we freely admit our sins *when his light uncovers them*, **he will be faithful to forgive us every time.** God is just to forgive us our sins *because of Christ*, and he will continue to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

FOR MONDAY—

1. Ask the Lord to help identify sin and the marks we may have missed in our life.
2. Reach out to those in your life that have walked away or feel like they have messed up so big that they don't know how to get back. Remind them of God's love and grace.

TALK IT THROUGH

1. How do you define sin? Why is it important to identify with sin?
2. What are three ways disciples deal with sin? How do you embrace the remedy of sin? What are some ways we can remind ourselves that Jesus intercedes for us?
3. Why do some try to deal with sin themselves instead of giving it to Jesus? What does it look like to give it to Jesus? Does our sin nature stop after?
4. Why is falling and failing part of the human experience? How do you get back up each time? What is supernatural resilience?
5. Who in your life can you be praying for, encouraging and pouring into that needs to be reminded that God is already working out their come back?