



## WHAT IS A DISCIPLE?



**DISCIPLES  
WITH AMNESIA?**  
SUNDAYS AT 10.30AM

**12 MAY 2019**  
MATTHEW 11:27—30  
COLOSSIANS 3:1—17

**Disciples are: Focused on God's glory (v.1-4).**

**Disciples have been: Raised to Life with Christ (v.1-4).**

“For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God’s glory displayed in the face of Christ”.

2 Corinthians 4:6

*“Come to me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”*

Matthew 11:28-30

## **Disciples are: 'Christ-Learners'**

*'Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*

Matthew 28: 18-20

## **Disciples are: Willing to Change (v.5-14).**

*'Put to death...'* (v.5)

*'Clothe yourselves...'* (v.12)

*'...you've taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator'. (v.9)*

## Learners together (v.15-16)

*“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.”*

## Whatever you do! (v.17)

*“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it ALL in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”*

### **Conversation starter:**

*What ‘light-bulb’ moments have there been in your walk with God?*



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**Growth group questions**

You will find it helpful to have heard the talk. Listen at [bit.ly/hsbctalks](https://bit.ly/hsbctalks).

*Some of these questions are personal and others are more general. Feel free to pick and choose which questions your group will find most helpful.*

**1. Read Colossians 3: 1-4.**

- Do you remember a time when you felt determined to bury your old life and live a new life with Jesus?
- How might it be helpful to keep your focus on 'things above' rather than 'on earthly things'?

**2. Read verses 5-6.**

- Why do the behaviours in this list deserve the 'wrath of God'?
- What does God really want for us? (See verse 10)

**3. Read Matthew 11:28.**

- How does Jesus make our burden lighter?
- If disciples are 'Christ-learners', how might being yoked to Jesus help us?
- In what way might we find 'rest' for our souls?

**5. Read verse 16.** How can we *learn* from each other in the church?

**6. Read verse 17.**

- How seriously should we take the challenge 'Whatever you do'?
- What implications would it have for our lives to do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus?
- How can we encourage each other to take action on these things?

*Spend some time praying for each other and encourage each other to go to the next church prayer meeting – Monday 13 May (8-9pm at Delta House).*