



Discipleship 101: Three Marks of a True Disciple
By: 'Little Pastor' Jeff Davis

If we have been in a bible believing Christ following church even for a little bit, we have heard the great commission quoted from Matt 28:18-20, that Jesus commands his disciples to 'go into the world making disciples, baptizing them and teaching them to observe everything he has commanded them, and that he will be with them always even to the end of the age.' Now hearing this can be convicting, but also overwhelming if we do not know where to start. So I am going to cover three points of emphasis that I hope help give some direction and even some guidelines to gauge ourselves.

A Disciple must be connected to the vine for them to be effective in fruit bearing.

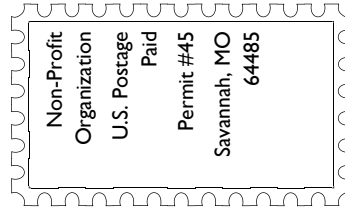
In John 15, Jesus lays out a foundation of remaining or abiding in him and his word. He fervently says, "Remain in me and I in you. Just as a branch is unable to produce fruit by itself unless it remains in the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without me." (John 15:4-5 CSB). We can NOT LIVE the life of a follower of Christ if we are not connected to the source of life himself. We at best will become dry and a religious fanatic where our works are our merit of acceptance. Jesus wants a deep relationship with us where he can work in us and through us.

A Disciple needs to be connected to a community of believers (the church).

There are ample passages in the new testament that Paul addresses how a church should function together to both encourage each other, support each other, and essentially grow towards Christ and be on mission with him. I invite you to check out Ephesians 4: 11-16 to get a great perspective on how the church is to work together to both "edify each other and to grow to maturity in Christ". God gave his disciples the church for believer's benefit and to be the rock which even the Gates of Hades will not overcome (Matt 16).

A Disciple should be invested in and serving others.

True Discipleship is about being transformed first by Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit, and being a part of helping others transform their lives as well. You see Jesus said himself that "even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many" (Matt 20:28). We are not saved just for ourselves, we are saved to serve others on behalf of Jesus. Your life will change as you invest in the lives of others sharing life with them, loving them with Christ love, helping meet their needs, showing them that Jesus is more than a King but a selfless, life changing, serving king.



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The Enlightener

I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened...." Ephesians 1:18

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<p align="center">BUDGET OFFERING <u>December 31, 2017</u></p> <p align="center"><u>WEEKLY BUDGET NEEDS</u> \$7,608.00</p> <p align="center"><u>BUDGET RECEIPTS</u> \$0.00</p> <p align="center"><u>BFT RECEIPTS</u> \$80.00</p> <p align="center"><u>DESIGNATED RECEIPTS</u> \$8,396.80</p>
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<u>DEACONS OF THE WEEK Weekly Hall Guides</u>		
<u>Feb 11, 2018</u>	<u>Feb 18, 2018</u>	<u>Feb 25, 2018</u>
Harold Morgan 324-4520	Nick Nigh 261-5348	Terrel Clark 261-5659
Wes Morgan 669-3020	Kelly Speer 596-6140	

<u>VISITATION TEAM</u>		
<u>Feb 11, 2018</u>	<u>Feb 18, 2018</u>	<u>Feb 25, 2018</u>
Bob & Debbie Coats	Caryl & Debbie Walker	Tim & Donna Kelley

<u>PARKING LOT ATTENDANTS</u>		
<u>Feb 11, 2018</u>	<u>Feb 18, 2018</u>	<u>Feb 25, 2018</u>
Gary Cole	Corky Cundiff	Gary Lowrance

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
<u>January 28, 2018</u>	<u>February 4, 2018</u>
<u>SUNDAY WORSHIP</u>	
186	187
<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>	
151	143

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY-THURSDAY
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
FRIDAY
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
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WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 11, 2018 - February 17, 2018

February 11: SUNDAY

8:45am Prayer Time
9:00am Worship
10:15am Sunday School

February 12: MONDAY

7:00pm Deacon's Meeting

February 13: TUESDAY

9:00am Toddler Tuesday

February 14: WEDNESDAY

5:15pm Dinner - Debbie Cole's group
6:00pm AWANA - Love your leader
6:15pm Bible Study/Men's Study
7:00pm Choir

February 15: THURSDAY

6:00pm Youth (Student Ministry)
6:00pm WOM #2 Meeting

February 16: FRIDAY

February 17: SATURDAY

7:00am Mission Trip to Texas (PRAY)



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Electronic Giving



WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 18, 2018 - February 24, 2018

February 18: SUNDAY

8:45am Prayer Time
9:00am Worship
10:15am Sunday School
Mission Trip to Texas (PRAY)

February 19: MONDAY

Mission Trip to Texas (PRAY)

February 20: TUESDAY

9:00am Toddler Tuesday
Mission Trip to Texas (PRAY)

February 21: WEDNESDAY

5:15pm Dinner Debbie Walker's Group
6:00pm AWANA - STORE NIGHT
6:15pm Bible Study/Men's Study
7:00pm Choir
Mission Trip to Texas (PRAY)

February 22: THURSDAY

6:00pm Youth (Student Ministry)
Mission Trip to Texas (PRAY)

February 23: FRIDAY

Mission Trip to Texas (PRAY)

February 24: SATURDAY

Mission Trip back from Texas (PRAY)



MARK CONYERS, SENIOR PASTOR

Pastor of Admin &
Technology
Dan Mefford
Youth Pastor
Jeff Davis

Senior Adults/
Children's Minister
Stephanie Mefford
Minister of Music
Greg Smith

Musician(s)
Meredith McDonald
Debbie Conyers
Custodian
Terry Toalson

Part-Time Custodian
Ruthie VanSchoiack
Secretary
Roberta Watson

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 25, 2018 - March 3, 2018

February 25: SUNDAY

8:45am Prayer Time
9:00am Worship
10:15am Senior/Youth Breakfast
10:15am Sunday School

February 26: MONDAY

February 27: TUESDAY

9:00am Toddler Tuesday

February 28: WEDNESDAY

5:15pm Dinner - Donna Speer's group
6:00pm AWANA Super Section Night
6:15pm Bible Study/Men's Study
7:00pm Choir

March 1: THURSDAY

6:00pm Youth (Student Ministry)

March 2: FRIDAY

March 3: SATURDAY

Do you know what the most asked for item at a homeless shelter is?!?!? **SOCKS!**

WOM#2 is having a sock drive to be donated to the Homeless Shelters in St. Joseph. Any size or color, new socks. Men, women and kids. Bring to the church and put in the drop box. Thank you!!!!!!





Youth Upcoming Events

Feb 25 - Senior/Youth Breakfast

Mar 16 - WINTER JAM

Mar 25 - Youth Sunday

April 14 - Laser Tag

YOUTH NEWS!



Thank you to my church family for the calls, visits, and prayers while I was sick. I am feeling much better!!!

Bob Gragg and Family

Thank you so very much to everyone for the calls, visits, cards, and prayers during our time of sorrow for the loss of my brother, Addis Laughlin. Thank you again! Maxine and Gib Bomar

Please follow the link below on your computer to access our new church directory on-line beginning August 30th.. The password is **HeLives**. You may request to access your personal information and edit data such as names, numbers, addresses, etc. for you or your family only. Your user name and password for that type of functionality will be unique. **OTHER THAN YOURSELF, ONLY THE CHURCH OFFICE ALSO HAS ACCESS TO UPDATING YOUR INFORMATION.** This **REQUIRES** an email to be included in your information on the church database. If you prefer we send you an invitation to set up your own account via our control-panel, please notify pastor Dan. We can do updates for you, but it will not be as quick as if you did them yourself.

<https://servantkeeper.com/directory/FBCSAV>

You may also place the directory on your phone. You need to follow the instructions for your type of phone on how to place the link to the directory on your screen. This varies among brands so please know that we cannot assist with requests for this type help. There is on-line help available from your phone manufacturer and it can guide you to accomplish the task.

Let Pastor Dan know if you have questions. The old church directory is still in use until such time as we complete the transfer.



**Online Church
DIRECTORY**

The next Enlightener date will be:
February 21, 2018
Submission deadline - 2/16 by 9am

Electronic Giving



We are pleased to offer electronic giving through Vanco Payment Solutions, a trustworthy and respected partner. We are going to try this for 6-12 months and see if usage demand is sufficient to offset the minimal costs. Currently, we are only accepting giving to the general fund so we do not add confusion in the new process. As giving occurs, we will be adding funds as appropriate. Thanks for understanding.

To give electronically, you may scan the QR code below (or in the bulletin or on the web page) with your smart phone or select the Vanco button on the web page to go to the giving page from your computer. In the future, you may be able to also ask for and complete a form for automatic deductions without going on-line yourself. See Pastor Dan for this option or any other questions!

Thanks for your support!!!

2nd Time Around Shoppe:

Have To Give: Glass end table, full length mirror, 6 dining room chairs with wheels, a dining room table, wood & wicker chair, silverware & utensils, crib mattress, SEVERAL TV's - different sizes, white electric dishwasher, tall dresser, 2 full size mattresses, wood medicine cabinet, futon mattress, Old wood wall mirror, and an artificial tree.

See Terry Toalson with questions.