



“A follower FOLLOWS after the Kingdom; a disciple CARRIES the Kingdom”

And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell[b] shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

Matthew 16:18-19 ESV

1. Be Reconciled: a Call for Commitment!

GOD IS NOT INTERESTED IN A PART TIME LOVER, BUT A FULL TIME BRIDE.

“Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you..”

1 John 2:15 NLT

TO CARRY HIS KINGDOM IS TO CARRY HIS WILL.

But Jesus told him, “Anyone who puts a hand to the plow and then looks back is not fit for the Kingdom of God.”

Luke 9:62 NLT

2. Be Rooted: a Call for Discipline!

“But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.”

Psalms 1:2-3

“It fears not the heat when it comes, its leaves stay green. In the year of drought it shows no distress, but still bears fruit”

Jeremiah 17:7-9

WHEN WE GROW THE ROOTS; GOD HONORS THE FRUITS

“Do your planning and prepare your fields before building your house.”

Proverbs 24:27

AS CHRISTIANS WE KNOW THE LOVE OF THE FATHER; AS DISCIPLES WE KNOW CHRIST

3. Be Ready: a Call for Obedience!

KINGDOM BEARERS ARE KINGDOM DOERS

“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. They are like a man

building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built”

Luke 6:46-48 NIV

But solid food is for the [spiritually] mature, whose senses are trained by practice to distinguish between what is morally good and what is evil”

Hebrews 5:14 AMP

WHEN WE MANIFEST THE KINGDOM, GOD MANIFESTS THE PEOPLE

“Yet more and more people believed and were brought to the Lord—crowds of both men and women. As a result of the apostles’ work, sick people were brought out into the streets on beds and mats so that Peter’s shadow might fall across some of them as he went by. Crowds came from the villages around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those possessed by evil spirits, and they were all healed”

Acts 5:14-16 NLT

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