

Yahshua's Disciple Selection and Our Role in Disciple Making

In the Gospels, we witness Yahshua (Jesus) carefully observing and selecting individuals to be his disciples. His approach provides valuable insights for us as we seek to identify and mentor disciples who will follow in His footsteps.

Yahshua's Disciple Selection Strategy

Yahshua did not simply choose those who were popular or well-educated. Instead, he looked for individuals who exhibited the following qualities:

Integrity and Humility: He chose men like Peter, James, and John who were humble and recognized their own shortcomings (Matthew 14:28-31).

A Teachable Spirit: He sought disciples who were eager to learn from him and apply his teachings in their lives (Mark 4:34).

Faith and Perseverance: Yahshua tested the faith of his disciples through trials and persecutions, choosing those who remained steadfast in their belief (John 6:66-69).

A Willingness to Serve: He emphasized that true discipleship involves serving others, not seeking personal gain (Matthew 20:20-28).

How We Can Emulate Yahshua's Approach

As we follow Yahshua's example, we can adopt the following principles in selecting disciples:

Observe and Discern: Pay attention to the character, attitudes, and actions of potential disciples. Look for those who exhibit integrity, humility, and a teachable spirit.

Test Faith and Perseverance: Challenge disciples with biblical principles and practical experiences that test their faith and commitment.

Emphasize Service: Make it clear that discipleship is not about following a popular figure but about serving others and living out the principles of the Kingdom.

Be Patient and Nurturing: Discipleship is a process that takes time and effort. Be patient with those who struggle and provide them with support and encouragement.

Qualities of Faithful Disciples

The individuals who are most likely to become faithful disciples are those who:

Love Yahshua and his Word: They have a deep affection for Yahshua and a desire to obey his teachings.

Commitment to Spiritual Growth: They recognize the importance of personal growth and seek to mature in their faith.

Have a Servant's Heart: They are motivated by love and compassion to serve others in the name of Yahshua.

Are Willing to Sacrifice: They understand that following Yahshua may require them to make sacrifices and endure hardships.

Review

By following Yahshua's example and focusing on developing these qualities in potential disciples, we can equip them to become faithful followers who will carry on His legacy of love, service, and truth. This is how we become His commissioned disciples, vessels of honor and used by him doing exploits!



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