

# GROWING TOWARD *Spiritual* MATURITY

STUDY 2  
HANDOUT A

## Definition of a Disciple

To become a disciple means to follow and learn from another person. Scripture uses the term *disciple* in at least eight different ways, depending on the context. Look up each Bible verse and identify the eight uses of the word.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ of a leader.

John 1:35–37

Matthew 5:1

Matthew 9:14

What are the characteristics of this kind of disciple?

2. Various types of followers of \_\_\_\_\_.

Luke 6:13

John 9:27

Matthew 27:57

Acts 9:10

Acts 9:36

Luke 6:17

Who were the followers in the above passages? What are the characteristics of this kind of disciple relationship?

3. The Apostles or “the \_\_\_\_\_.”

Luke 6:13

What were they doing with Jesus? What did the term mean?

4. Superficial, shallow, or \_\_\_\_\_ followers of Jesus.

John 6:60, 64, 66, 71

How would you describe these disciples?

5. Known \_\_\_\_\_ with false motives.

John 12:4

What was Judas's character and behavior?

6. \_\_\_\_\_ followers who made serious mistakes and failed often.

Luke 22:31–32, 57, 60–62

What was Peter's character and behavior?

7. Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ use of the term "my disciple."

Luke 14:25–33

John 8:31

John 13:34–35

John 15:8

Matt. 28:18–20

What did Jesus say this term meant?

8. The term *disciple* changes to the term \_\_\_\_\_.

Acts 11:26

Why do you think the terminology was changed?

When was the last time *disciple* was used in Scripture?

What is the scriptural difference between the terms *disciple* and *Christian*?

### Memory Verse:

"If you hold to my \_\_\_\_\_, you are really \_\_\_\_\_. Then you will know the \_\_\_\_\_, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:31–32)