

GRUB NIGHT with Tony George – 4.25.2024

Follow The Leader

Why follow Jesus? Why obey Jesus? Why submit to His authority in your life?

Testimony

How do we follow Jesus

Luke 9:23-26;

Then he said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. 25 What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self? 26 Whoever is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.

If you want to be my disciple, If you want to save your life, If you are ashamed If....Then statements I am not being dictatorial here.

If you are a Christ follow then these are the traits and the disciplines you will engage in and abstain from

Deny yourself, take up your cross and follow

Say no to self,

Die and submit to God’s will for your life.

Gal 2:20 “I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”

Jn 14:15 If you Love me you will keep my commandments.

We know His Commandments by reading and knowing the word of God

The Message of Jesus inviting us to follow Him is “Come and DIE”

MT 16:25 For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

Jn 14:23 Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Matthew 6:33

Keep the focus on Him

Put him in the middle of everything.

Go to Him First.

WHY?

Jn 10:10-11 10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. 11 “I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

Jn 15:55 “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.
John 15:11 These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.

I came to the harsh reality of the answer to: How’s that working out for you?

Lead Yourself

Discipline what I do what I don’t do

Addiction How to break habits and addiction

(James 4.7 NIV) says, *“Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.”*

1 Cor 10:12-13 Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall. No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

Temptation How was Jesus victorious? The Word of God to fight lies.

MT 5-27-28

²⁷ “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery’; ²⁸ but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Psalm 19:14

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

Be acceptable in Your sight,

O Lord, my rock and my Redeemer.

1 Tim 5:2 Treat older women as mothers and younger women as sisters with absolute purity.

Romans 13:14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and **make no provision** for the flesh in regard to *its* lusts.

Accountability

Boundaries

Psalm 16:6 The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a **delightful inheritance**.

Can’t do it in your own strength We need God’s power to do God’s will

Pray

TRUTH Read Study Memorize APPLY God’s Word

Lead Your Spouse

Put Jesus first Mt 6:33

Are you committed Ham and eggs breakfast.

Not 50/50 100/100

God has placed you in the leadership role in your marriage. Do you have God's authority to lead?

Acts 19:13-16

¹³ Some Jews who went around driving out evil spirits tried to invoke the name of the Lord Jesus over those who were demon-possessed. They would say, "In the name of the Jesus whom Paul preaches, I command you to come out." ¹⁴ Seven sons of Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, were doing this. ¹⁵ One day the evil spirit answered them, "Jesus I know, and Paul I know about, but who are you?" ¹⁶ Then the man who had the evil spirit jumped on them and overpowered them all. He gave them such a beating that they ran out of the house naked and bleeding.

Trying to exercise authority when you don't have it. Where does it
Bring relationship under the blood.

Role Reversals

(from Strike the Original Match by Chuck Swindoll)

A great deal of my counseling time is invested in the lives of couples planning to get married. During the three premarital counseling sessions, I probe deeply into their relationship. We discuss their lives from several perspectives: spiritually, emotionally, financially, socially, and sexually. It is not uncommon for those I plan to marry to have been intimately involved with each other. I require that this be stopped if such has been the case. Before we proceed I have each one promise me that from that day on (until they are married) they will sustain restraint and self-control in their relationship. Here's why. If promiscuity is not completely stopped for a period of time before marriage, then after marriage a strange reversal in their roles occurs. The young bride marries with disappointment over the violation done against her by her fiancé. She soon becomes dominant and aggressive, taking the role of leadership from her husband because of a mixture of resentment and anger. And, the man? Well, he feels guilty, disappointed with himself, and ultimately becomes passive. She takes charge (and hates it) while he backs off (and feels miserable). All because their intimate relationship was incorrectly set in motion before marriage. Of the hundreds of unhappy couples I have counseled who finally admitted to premarital promiscuity, I can hardly recall an exception to this strange pattern.

Hebrews 13:4 ⁴ Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

Confess sex outside of marriage and repent.

Pray with you wife about this. Take the ownership.

Not about you, your needs your happiness. You are God's chosen minister to your spouse Do you believe that Marriage is about your holiness and her holiness, not your happiness. Ministry, not manipulation.

Eph 5:22-32

²²Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶to make her holy, cleansing^[b] her by the washing with water through the word, ²⁷and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. ²⁸In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— ³⁰for we are members of his body. ³¹“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”^[c] ³²This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. ³³However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

After dinner: help with the dishes or avoid it?

When you wife asks you to do something, do you respond as her servant?

Find out you wife's love language and keep her tank full.

Words of Affirmation

Physical Touch (Non sexual)

Acts of Service

Gifts

Quality Time

5 points of communication for us.

God teach me how to love my wife Show me what it means to lay down my life for her.

show me how I can serve her

show me what she needs from me

and help me to point her in your direction for the things that only you can provide.

Lead Your Family

Put Jesus first Mt 6:33

Start children off on the way they should go (Proverbs 22:6)

“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.”

Impress God’s commands on your children (Deuteronomy 6:6–7)

“These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.”

The one who loves their children is careful to discipline them (Proverbs 13:24)

“Whoever spares the rod hates their children,
but the one who loves their children is careful to discipline them.”

We don’t discipline in anger

We don’t discipline for mistakes

We teach what part of God’s commands they have violated Always bring the Word there

Discipline Short break for processing Followed by forgiveness and reconciliation

Fathers encourage and comfort their children (1 Thessalonians 2:11–12)

“For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.”

Fathers to Son’s

I love you,

I am proud of you

I am always here for you.

You work hard

You are good at _____.

Everything should point toward “You have what it takes to be a man.”

Model Manhood Model how to treat women by the way you treat your wife and daughter.

Fathers to Daughters

I love you

You are beautiful Inside out

Treat her with love and gentleness. Model how she should expect to be treated by men by the way you treat your wife

Find out your child’s love language and keep their tanks full!

Lead Others

Put Jesus First

Matthew 28:18-20

¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Find a mentor to disciple you

Can you share the gospel?

Can you invite others to church, to a group?

Can you invite someone to a men’s group?