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Let me ask you something simple. Do you even care about the truth? Do you care about your soul, and where it will spend eternity?

Most people never stop to think about it. They are too busy chasing money, fun, or the next distraction. But Christ warned us plainly: "Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able" (Luke 13:23-24).

It is not that people do not seek. The problem is they seek in the wrong places. They follow the wrong teachings, traditions, and the opinions of men, instead of the Word of God. That is what leads people straight to destruction.

The Word of God Is Our Guide

God gave us His Word for a reason. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Think about it. When a father warns his child not to touch fire, it is not to ruin the child's fun, it is to save them from being burned. That is exactly what the Bible does for us. It corrects, it warns, it teaches, because God loves us enough to keep us from destroying ourselves.

The real question is: are you willing to let God correct you?





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Why So Many Refuse God

Let's be honest. The reason many people avoid God is because they know their lifestyle does not match His Word. Accepting Him means letting go of sin. It means letting go of lying, cursing, immorality, and pride. Some people think that is too high a price to pay.

Others think God gets in the way of "enjoying life." They call disciples boring. Still others are blinded by tradition, raised to follow without ever questioning. They were taught man's ways instead of God's truth.

But Scripture says: "Ye are the temple of the living God" (2 Corinthians 6:16). If we are God's temple, how can we fill our lives with sin, lies, and idols, and still expect Him to dwell with us?

The Danger of Twisting Scripture

Another danger today is false teaching and false Bibles. Small changes in words can change the truth completely.

For example, **Ephesians 5:1** in the King James Bible says, "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children." But many modern versions change "followers" to "imitators." That may sound harmless, but it changes everything.

Think about a child. One child pretends to be his father by putting on his shoes and coat. He looks like him for a moment, but he is only pretending. Another child follows and listens to his father, obeys him, and learns from him. That child is truly walking in his father's footsteps.

We are not called to imitate God, as if we were little gods ourselves. We are called to follow Him, to obey, honor, and love Him as our Father.





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God's Ways Are Higher

We must never forget: God is not like us. He does not think like us. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:8-9).

Imagine an ant trying to understand why humans build roads, houses, and cities. It cannot. In the same way, our small minds cannot fully grasp God's plans. But we can trust Him, because His ways are always greater than ours.

The Overrated Title of "Christian"

In today's world, the title *Christian* has become overrated, watered down, and misused. Anyone can claim it, but not everyone lives it. Politicians, celebrities, and entire churches wear the name without walking the walk.

The Bible tells us that the disciples were first *called Christians at Antioch* (Acts 11:26). Notice it says they were *called* Christians by others, not that they called themselves Christians. No true disciple in Scripture ever identified themselves with that word. They called themselves "believers," "saints," or "disciples of Christ."

In fact, the word *Christian* was first used as a label by outsiders in Antioch (Acts 11:26), not by the disciples themselves. Over time, the title has become watered down, misused, and worn by many who do not follow Christ at all. Today, the word Christian can mean almost anything. But a *Disciple of Christ* has only one meaning: a student; someone who follows Him, obeys His Word, and gives their whole life to Him.





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What Is a True Disciple of Christ?

So, what makes a true disciple?

- A disciple studies the Scriptures (2 Timothy 3:15).
- A disciple loves God with all his heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30).
- A disciple lives by every word of God (Matthew 4:4; Deuteronomy 8:3).
- A disciple tests everything by Scripture (1 Thessalonians 5:21).
- A disciple searches the Scriptures daily (Acts 17:11).

A Disciple of Christ is not a title. It is a life of obedience, repentance, and love for God.

The Evidence of a Disciple

The Bible says, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17).

That means your old life is gone. Your old habits, your old sins, your old ways, they are behind you. Christ said, "He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" (John 8:12).

It is like a tree. A tree is not judged by how tall it is or how many leaves it has, but by its fruit. In the same way, you are not a disciple of Christ because you say you are. You are His disciple if your life bears the fruit of obedience, truth, and holiness.

Do You Care?

So, I ask you again: Do you care? Do you care enough to let go of lies, traditions, and excuses? Do you care enough to let God correct you, even if it hurts your pride?

The answer matters more than anything in this life. Christ is calling. Will you care enough to answer?





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