

1. What does it mean to be teachable?

A disciple is a teachable true follower of Christ.

They are spiritually enrolled in the school of the Spirit, the classroom of Christ.

All of life is His classroom.

**A life time commitment. Our spiritual learning never ends.
The true knowledge of Jesus Christ is eternal.**

The Spirit guides us into all Truth in this classroom.

The teachable disciple must maintain child-like humility.

Matt 11:1-4; Matt 11:25

Teachable and never a know it all.

Being teachable is not being gullible and blown about by every wind of doctrine but open to the teaching of the Holy Spirit.

2. Obstacles to being teachable.

**-Oswald Chambers speaks of the “ban of finality”.
This is the person who puts their personal beliefs in a box of sorts and pad locks them against the possibility of correction or introduction of new truth from the Spirit of Truth.
The scribes and Pharisees were the terrible example of this.
Their beliefs were set in concrete and they were devoted to a false religious system to which Jesus was a threat.
They not only resisted truth, they were the enemies of truth, Jesus Christ.**

Mark 7:13

-The traditions and doctrines of Christian religious systems can be obstacles to the receiving of new truth. The great awakenings and other major movements of the Holy Spirit have shown this to be true.

3. Characteristics of a teachable disciple.

Luke 9:23

- Daily denier of self and embracer of the Cross. Forsakes all sin.**
- Remains teachable and humble. Childlike faith.**
- Always see himself as a learner and remains in the spiritual school of the Spirit.**
- Desires the instruction and guidance of the Spirit of truth in all of life especially in suffering and difficult times.**
- Embraces the discipline of the Holy Spirit.**

- Will follow where truth leads. Willing not to settle down but look for the moving of the cloud and fire and follow.**
- Does not quit through severe testing.**
- Develops self control- mind, emotions and body.**
- Constantly holds his personal beliefs before the Spirit of Truth for correction and enlargement.**
- Acknowledges the word of God and the Spirit of Truth as the final authority.**
- Walks by faith and obeys the truth revealed**