

Discipleship

Seminars on Discipleship Assignment #1

1. Read the following scriptures in their context:

- ✓ Matthew 5:1
- ✓ Romans 8:16
- ✓ John 10:27
- ✓ 1 Corinthians 3:16
- ✓ Luke 6:40
- ✓ Galatians 4:5-7
- ✓ Hebrews 13:20
- ✓ 1 Peter 2:1
- ✓ Ephesians 4:12
- ✓ 1 Thessalonians 4:1
- ✓ 1 Peter 5:2
- ✓ Ephesians 5:30
- ✓ 1 Corinthians 1:1-10
- ✓ Ephesians 1:18
- ✓ Romans 6:22
- ✓ 2 Timothy 2:20
- ✓ Galatians 4:5

- ✓ 2 Corinthians 6:4
- ✓ 2 Corinthians 5:20

2. Make a list of the ways in which Christians are described in these scriptures

3. What do you learn about the Christian life from each of them?

4. Identify which of these verses describe you at the present time.

5. Which are goals toward which you must work? List them in order of priority.

6. Describe in detail what practical steps you need to take toward reaching the first and second goals on your list.

7. Come prepared to discuss your conclusions.

8. Select two books (or booklets) from your own library, or the library at your assembly that deal with the priorities that you listed above.

Read and evaluate their usefulness.

Suggest ways to use these or other tools to better advantage in promoting Christian growth.

Seminars on Discipleship Assignment #2

Read: "*Basic Christianity*" by John Stott -**AND**- "*Mere Christianity*" by C. S. Lewis.

- Write a brief critique (2 or 3 pages for each book). This critique will be handed in.

- Come prepared to discuss your conclusions and to suggest ways in which these or other books can be used in evangelism.

- Develop a list of books you would recommend for new Christians to read.

- Suggest ways to promote the reading of good books among Christians.

- A Basic Bible Knowledge Test will be written during this session.

Seminars on Discipleship Assignment #3

1. Study the following examples of prayer in the Old Testament in their context and in a few sentences tell what you learn about prayer from each of them.

- ✓ 2 Samuel 7:18-29
- ✓ Psalm 51
- ✓ 1 Kings 8:22-54
- ✓ Psalm 90
- ✓ 2 Kings 19:14-19
- ✓ Jeremiah 32:16-25
- ✓ 2 Chronicles 30:15-20
- ✓ Daniel 9:1-19
- ✓ Nehemiah 1:4-11

2. Study the following examples of prayer in the New Testament in their context and in a few sentences tell what you learn about prayer from each of them.

- ✓ Matthew 6:9-15
- ✓ Philippians 1:3-11
- ✓ John 17:1-26
- ✓ Colossians 1:3-14
- ✓ Ephesians 1:15-23
- ✓ 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12
- ✓ Ephesians 3:14-21
- ✓ Philemon verses 4-7

3. Come prepared to hand in your written work and to discuss your conclusions regarding prayer. Are there some things which we can apply to make our personal prayer and even assembly prayer meetings more effective?

Seminars on Discipleship Assignment #4

Read: "These Strange Ashes" -**AND-** "A Slow and Certain Light" by Elizabeth Elliott.

- ✓ Write a brief critique (3 or 4 pages) on each of these books which will be handed in.

Come prepared to discuss in your group:

- ❑ 1. The New Testament references to the "Will of God".

- ❑ 2. How you determine what the will of God is for the church and for your own personal life.

Be prepared to recommend ways in which Christians might be motivated to read the Scriptures.

Seminars on Discipleship Assignment #5

Women:

- 1. **Read the Book of Acts.**

- 2. Identify women who were active in the churches and describe their roles.

- 3. Relate each of the above examples to an equivalent situation in present day experience, and identify the similarities and differences.

- 4. Be prepared to share and discuss your findings with the group **-AND-** to hand in your work.

Men:

Read the Book of Acts -AND- write a 1500 word paper on "Leadership in Acts". This paper should:

- 1. Identify the kinds of leadership evident in Acts.

- 2. Analyse the positions occupied by individuals, i.e., Peter, James and Paul.

- 3. Consider the inter-relationships of leaders.

- 4. Choose one example of problem solving and explain the role of leaders in its resolution.

Be prepared to discuss your conclusions and to hand in your paper.