

## How To Grow as a Believer & Follower of Jesus

Wednesday Nights at 6:30 pm

Begins August 2



### LESSON 7 On-The-Job Training

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A combination of teaching and on-the-job training was the method used by Jesus and by the early church extensively. There were no schools for church leaders, pastors, teachers, or missionaries. Instead, pastors taught the Bible and members began serving almost immediately—and they learned as they went.

### Tonight's Bible Verses – Matthew 19:16-21

<sup>16</sup> Just then a man came up to Jesus and asked, “Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?”

<sup>17</sup> “Why do you ask me about what is good?” Jesus replied. “There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, keep the commandments.”

<sup>18</sup> “Which ones?” he inquired.

Jesus replied, “‘You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, <sup>19</sup>honor your father and mother,’ and ‘love your neighbor as yourself.’”

<sup>20</sup> “All these I have kept,” the young man said. “What do I still lack?”

<sup>21</sup> Jesus answered, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

### Teachings From Today's Verses

1. K \_\_\_\_\_ —but it's not enough.
2. K \_\_\_\_\_ —but it's not enough.
3. The basic command of Jesus to disciples is, “F \_\_\_\_\_ .”
  - a. That includes I \_\_\_\_\_ from Jesus.
  - b. That includes s \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus.
  - c. That includes b \_\_\_\_\_ the Jesus team.
  - d. That includes d \_\_\_\_\_ what Jesus did..
4. F \_\_\_\_\_. Can you imagine selling all your possessions and giving it all away to the poor?

### How does this work in today's world?

Today, we can't travel with Jesus as He walks around, teaches, heals, and serves. We can't see Him physically, so we can't do on-x \_\_\_\_\_ x the-job training with Jesus. However, we can learn from the early church—they had the same issue.

Here are some suggestions—and just as it was for the disciples—it won't necessarily be easy. The question is, how bad do you want it?

1. B \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. P \_\_\_\_\_. It's not just for the teaching, but for the informal fellowship and mentoring that happens.
3. G \_\_\_\_\_ as quickly as possible and learn from others who serve with you. ABC always has entry-level jobs that even new believers can do.
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Treat your job as S \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. Spend much t \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. As you grow, h \_\_\_\_\_ !

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