



A GOD-LIVED LIFE

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INTRODUCTION

A Life of Being a Disciple

This week, the particular focus of the God-lived life is that of being a disciple, a learner, one who grows in God's Word. May God's Word cause us to crave that pure spiritual milk so that by it we grow up in our salvation.

Each week in our God-Lived Life Challenge, we'll have a midweek devotion to remind us what it's all about—why we do what we do. This week, we're reminded where a relationship with God begins.

FIRST THINGS FIRST. LOOK TO JESUS.

*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge,
but fools despise wisdom and instruction.*

Proverbs 1:7

How do I become a disciple? Look to Jesus.

King Solomon said the start of being a disciple—the start of attaining knowledge, of becoming wise, and being instructed—starts with understanding and worshiping the LORD. The “fear of the LORD” is not to be afraid of him as though he were some angry and moody adolescent. To “fear the LORD” is to revere him, honor him, and hold him in high regard for who he is and what he has done.

The fear of the Lord drives fear from our heart because we see that the LORD is the God of full and faithful love, our Savior. We live a life of getting to know God because he is worth getting to know. Jesus died on the cross for our sin and rose again. He is the reason and key to understanding God's Word and the start to true knowledge, wisdom, and instruction. What is our “why” as we seek to grow in being a disciple of Jesus? Anyone who would give his life for mine so that I would be free and have heaven as my home and then offer to grow, mold, and train me, is someone I can't help but love, follow, and want to know better.

What is our starting point? It's to know his love and worship him for it. That's our beginning. Look to Jesus, dear disciple, look to Jesus.