

PROFILE OF A MATURE DISCIPLE

“We proclaim Him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.” [Colossians 1:28]

I. A PERSONAL AND GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD JESUS CHRIST [II Tim.1:13-14]

- A. A personal testimony of faith in Jesus
- B. A love & worship of God
- C. A meaningful daily devotional & prayer time w/ the Lord
- D. An understanding of our identity in Christ & our significance to God

II. A WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF THE BIBLE [II Tim. 2:15; 3:14-17]

- A. The ability to identify the sequence of major events, persons, and themes in Scripture
- B. The ability to clarify Christian beliefs in defense against modern cults & philosophies
- C. The ability to explain the way of salvation using Scripture
- D. The ability to recall from memory key verses of Scripture
- E. The ability to do an inductive Bible study

III. A LIFE STYLE WHICH REFLECTS A BIBLICAL PHILOSOPHY OF LIVING [II Tim. 2:22]

- A. A life of holiness and integrity
- B. A life of loving fellowship with others
- C. A life which exhibits the fruit of the spirit
- D. A life where decisions are made according to Biblical principals
- E. An understanding and ability to explain such a philosophy of living
- F. The development of a world Christian perspective

IV. AN ABILITY TO SHARE ONE’S FAITH AND MAKE DISCIPLES [II. Tim. 1:8; 2:2; 4:5]

- A. Consistently developing relationships with seekers w/ the intention of sharing one’s faith.
- B. The ability to share a 3-minute personal testimony of faith
- C. The ability to use an evangelistic tool, such as the Four Laws, the Kennedy Diagnostic Questions, etc.
- D. The ability to disciple to someone up in the faith, to where they also become a multiplier

V. CITIZENSHIP IN THE LOCAL CHURCH [II Tim. 1:6-7]

This includes:

- A. Baptism
- B. Membership in the local church
- C. Corporate Worship
- D. Regular LifeGroup involvement
- E. Service on a Ministry Team using one’s spiritual gifts

- F. Giving of tithes & offerings for ministry
- G. Submission to the care & offerings for ministry
- H. Love for the Brethren

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