



“If you continue in My word, then are you My Disciples **InDeed...**”

Which Way Are You On?

Matthew 7:13-14 “Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.”

1. Last week we looked at the “Royal Law” of the Kingdom of God: that we should treat others in the same way we like to be treated. The next thing Jesus tells us is that the way of the Kingdom is not the easy way or the way that most people take but rather the difficult way that only a few will take. How do you think these two lessons are related?

In verses 13 and 14 there are three characteristics given to help us to tell the difference between the way of destruction and the way of life: the entrance, the way, and the quantity of those who are in the way.

2. Jesus said that the entrance to life is very “strait” (narrow) while the entrance to the way of destruction is wide. What does that mean for us today? _____

3. Concerning the two ways, Jesus said that the way of life is narrow or difficult while the way to destruction is broad and easy. Why do you think He called the road to destruction easy and the road to life difficult? What was He referring to? _____

4. The final identifying characteristic of the two ways is that the way of life has few travelers on it while the way to destruction has many. What should that tell us about things that are “popular” and

“fashionable” in our world today? _____

5. Isn’t the Sermon on the Mount the description of the narrow way? How would believing that give us a greater sense of urgency and necessity to do what Jesus said? _____

6. One of the values of this world is that “if so many are doing it or like it, then it must be OK.” Can you think of some examples of things that the “many” in the church of our day approve of that are contrary to Jesus’ commands? _____

7. In Acts 14:22 the Apostle Paul had a final message for his converts in Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch before he left them. How does that message reinforce the words of Jesus that we’re studying?

Am I a “Disciple InDeed”?

1. Have I entered in through the “new birth canal” of repentance from dead works and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ or am I still dead in my sins?
2. Am I on the hard, narrow and lonely way of the Cross that brings many deaths to self or do I love self and embrace the easy way that doesn’t cost much?



Doers of the Word

What am I going to do about God’s Word today?



Further Study: Luke 14:25-33, Titus 2:12-14, Gal 5:24, Rom 8:13, Luke 9:23-24, Matt 18:8-9, John 14:6

“...And you shall know The Truth, and The Truth shall **make you Free!**”

