

**THE GREAT NEED**  
***What & Why Discipleship?***  
Matthew 28:19,20

**I. What is discipleship?**

A. The Problem

1. Often debated and misunderstood
2. Often believed in but rarely practiced
3. Often desired but unfortunately don't know how

B. The Description - Matt 28:19,20

1. Context is crucial
2. Language is specific
3. Obedience is vital

**II. Why is discipleship necessary?**

- A. Obedience says everything about our relationship with Jesus
- B. This is one major step in imitating Jesus
- C. Souls are at stake
- D. The future of God's Church is dependent on this

**III. Takeaway:**

- A. Being a disciple is not automatic, it requires an intentional choice
- B. Rewards: Personal for obedience; others for salvation & growth; Eternity.