

How do I start to become an expert on Christian discipleship?

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Introduction

What makes one an expert?

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

Characteristics of an expert on discipleship

We need to use the Great Commission to provide the priority for us to become an expert on Christian Discipleship. Matthew 28:19-20

1. An expert _____

A 1 Corinthians 13 kind of love

John 13:35 All men will know you are my disciples if you love one another. (NIV)

2. You have a _____ understanding of the _____ of discipleship.

You are skilled in the trade, not simply gifted.

2 Timothy 2:15 – Study to show yourself approved to God.

When you become an expert at Christian discipleship, you understand the _____ of discipleship

- A. _____ is discipleship
- B. _____ it works
Not simply laying hands on a person & praying
- C. _____ it works

3. A discipler is a _____

They know how to provide an atmosphere for healing & growth.

You are an expert at helping others learn how to apply God's truths in their lives.

Difference between an expert _____ and an expert at _____
_____ to do it.

4. A discipler is an expert _____

You can see undeveloped potential.

Mark 5:1-20

Excellent at planting seeds of hope.

Do you understand what is appropriate at this level of maturity?

1 Peter 2:1-3

Hebrews 5:11-14

1 Corinthians 3:1-3

What are you doing to encourage others today?

5. An expert at discipleship works for _____

This issue will be covered in greater detail in the course: **Basic Elements of Discipleship Training**

To be Christ-like is to be balanced.

Satan wants us out of balance.

You can be an expert in your ministry and also be out of balance from God's point of view.

Three components of balanced growth:

A. Learning the Christ-like lifestyle

B. Practical ministry

C. Deal with their life-controlling problems

6. An expert of discipleship sets a powerful _____ of what it means to be an _____ Christian.

Matthew 5:16 – _____:

A. _____:

B. _____

1 Corinthians 11:1

7. An expert discipler really _____ about his/her _____ with the person being disciplined.

Luke 13:34

Conclusion

If you are an expert at Christian discipleship:

You understand the _____ of discipleship

A. _____ is discipleship

B. _____ it works

C. _____ it works

What are the areas where you need to focus on learning the discipline of being a discipler?