

The Divine Conspiracy

Chapter 8 Study Questions

Read through Matthew 7:13-27

Who is Our Teacher?

- What does it mean to be somebody's disciple? Who's disciple are you? (271-272)

The Narrow Way and the Good Tree

- What four metaphors and images does Jesus use to communicate the importance of his message? (273-275)

How are We to Be *with* Him?

- How are we to be with Jesus? Where and how might we interact with him? (276)

The Simplicity of Discipleship

- In what ways is being a disciple an "obvious kind of thing"? (281-281)

- Why has it become normal to be a Christian without being a disciple in today's church? (282)

- What is a disciple? (282-285)

How to Become a Disciple

- What did you learn from the section on "The Field and the Pearl" about the necessary conditions for becoming a disciple? (292)

- What main misconception about discipleship keeps people from pursuing it? (292-294)
- What practical steps can we take to become a disciple? (295-299)

Helping Others Find Their Way into Discipleship

- Why is being a disciple inseparable from joining God in making disciples? (299)
- What is involved in making disciples? (300; see also 288-291)
- What is the elephant in the church? Why? (301-302)
- Why might explicitly intending to make disciples be upsetting in your church? (303)
- In what ways are our beliefs inextricably linked to our actions? (307-309)
- What is the spirit of God doing in your life as you consider building your house on the rock? What feels challenging? Thrilling?