

Series: Characteristics of a Devout Christian
Title: The Discipline of Reaching Out
Text: Matthew 28:19

Introduction

"Have you no wish for others to be saved? Then you're not saved yourself, be sure of that!" - Charles H. Spurgeon

1. The Bible says we look at the outward appearance of things, but God looks deep into the heart and reveals a person's real _____.
2. America can only become a better place if the people themselves become better _____.
3. God wants to lead you out of slavery and into a life filled with passion and _____.
4. God gave Israel _____ rules to live by and said, "If you live by these Ten Commandments I give you, your life and this world will be a better place to live.
5. Amid astounding technological and medical advancement, our society's moral and ethical _____ are crumbling right before our eyes.
6. Devout Christians believe that no matter how desperate the situation, there always something _____ can do about it.
7. Changing the world is the _____ of a devout Christian.
8. Empowered by Christ, Christians are the most _____ and powerful change agents in our world.
9. Jesus is and has always been the world's greatest _____!

10. Satan knows that _____ are a dynamic force to be reckoned if they ever rise up and exercise their faith and influence.
11. Our primary mission is to help people discover their need for _____ and receive the gift of Eternal Life!
12. The Creator wants to develop an _____ and eternal relationship with us.
13. Devout Christians are devoted to sharing this message of faith called the _____ of Christ.

I. Devout Christians Live Transformed Lives

14. Once you experience the love and grace of Christ, you realize how wonderful it is to be one of His _____.
15. Devout Christians know that God uses truth, beauty, and goodness to _____ people from living self-centered to God-centered lives.
16. Devout Christians know what a significant difference _____ makes in a person's life.
17. Competing activities have caused many to drift away the _____.
18. Devout Christians specifically and intentionally help people to learn and grow in _____.

II. Devout Christians Grow In Faith

19. Devout Christians give attention to _____ their faith.
20. They are deliberate and intentional in challenging others to _____ spiritually.

21. Devout Christians are _____ in the faith.
22. Devout Christians listen to the Holy Spirit as he _____ them to become better disciples.
23. We grow in faith when we learn to _____ God while we're still searching for some of those answers.
24. We grow in faith when we reach out and _____ others grow in their faith.

III. Devout Christians Believe In Discipleship

25. God calls _____ believer to share their faith with others, but devout Christians actually do it!
26. Lasting _____ are developed over time and require a lot of grace and mercy to survive.
27. Devout Christians look for and find answers to the _____ people have about their faith in Christ.
28. For devout Christians _____ is not just about sharing common interests; it is about helping others connect with their God-created purpose in life.
29. Devout Christians go out of their way to show people how to experience the _____ of God's love through the redemption and sacrifice of Christ.
30. Devout Christians don't just talk the talk; they walk the _____.

Conclusion

31. The early Christians believed Jesus came to rescue _____, not just a few Jews!
32. Jesus gives a person an _____ purpose.

33. Many Christians are not engaged in a growing faith and have nothing to _____ their friends and family spiritually.
34. The early believers gave up the _____ for the eternal.
35. Through prayer and study, generosity, and evangelism, we are _____ from a casual or average Christian into a dynamic person of faith.
36. We can change our world. But that change occurs one _____ at a time.

Christ is counting on us! It is our faith that overcomes the world. In Matthew 26:37, Jesus said the greatest commandment is to "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all you mind...and then...love your neighbor as yourself."

ANSWERS

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| 2. People | 21. Mentors |
| 3. Purpose | 22. Directs |
| 4. Ten | 23. Trust |
| 5. Foundations | 24. Help |
| 6. God | 25. Every |
| 7. Mission | 26. Relationships |
| 8. Positive | 27. Questions |
| 9. Hope | 28. Friendship |
| 10. Christians | 29. Generosity |
| 11. Christ | 30. Walk |
| 12. Enduring | 31. Everyone |
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