

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOW SHIP

Christ's Clearest Language

Matthew 10:24-25

"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for **a disciple** that he **be like his teacher**, and **a servant like his master.**"

So... how is He?

The only way to know is to **watch Him**, consistently, over time

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We know to believe what **He says in His Word**

Anything anyone says in God's name must be measured by **what He said.**

But many choose to **not believe** what He says – now as then.

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What did He say to those who didn't believe what He said?

John 10:25 & 37-38

Jesus replied, "I have already told you, and you don't believe Me. The proof is the work I do in My Father's name... **Do not believe me unless** I do the works of My Father. **But if I do them**, even though you do not believe Me, **believe the works**"

So, what did Jesus **say** about **how He lived?**

"The Son of Man did not come to be served, but **to serve**, and to give His life a ransom for many." (**Matt. 20:28**)

He told us it is enough to be like Him – **How?**

What did **He say** in both **word and deed?**

Live life to **serve and benefit others...** in The Father's behalf.

- Not for our own benefit
- Not with our own agenda

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He told us to **live like Him...** toward others

- **First**, each other
(That makes us believable – **John 13:34-35**)
- **Then** those around
(The greatest, part b.)

Can we live like Him **without loving?**

What did He say? What did He do?

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How He lived **proved** what He said

Paul got it. He wrote, "You know **how we lived** among you."

He did what Jesus said, and **lived like He told us to...** as an example.

"Dear brothers and sisters, **pattern your lives after mine**, and **learn from those who follow our example**. Keep putting into practice **all you learned and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing**. Then the God of peace will be with you." (**Phil. 3:17 & 4:9**)

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John 1:18

"No one has ever seen God. But **the unique One, who is Himself God**, is near to the Father's heart. **He has revealed God to us.**"

Then He said, "As The Father sent Me, **so I send you.**" (John 20:21)

James is so bold as to say, "**Faith without works is dead.**" (2:17 & 26)

To paraphrase – "Talk is cheap. Show me."

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Please note – everything referenced about how He Lived is from His Word

The bottom line...

No one ever followed Jesus into being unlike Him.

Don't believe or follow anyone who doesn't live a good example. But, live to be one.

Suggested reading: **I Timothy 6 & Psalm 50:16-23**

Sermons we can see...