

A Disciple who Is A Pleasing to the Lord

Main Bible Verse:

(1 Thessalonians 1:5-6) because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit.

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Summary:

Matthew 28:19-20

- Jesus has commanded us to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything Jesus have commanded us. And surely Jesus will be with us always, to the very end of the age.”

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

1. Work together, give thanks together, pray together, and remember together.
 - Thessalonica church built their foundation on faith, hope, and love in God.
 - Their faith was displayed in their work.
 - Such action in faith became their life testimony.
 - They loved and cared for one another.
 - Their labor prompted by love was endured by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - We must persevere in faith.
 - Whoever has this type of life, is loved by God.

1 Thessalonians 1:4-5 | 1 Corinthians 12:3 | Acts 9:1-15 | John 1:1-4 |

2. Disciples are called and chosen by God.
 - a. Disciples were loved by God and were called and chosen by God. Just like you and me today.
 - We are not chosen by man, but by the Spirit of the Lord.
 - No one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.
 - We are able to come before God and was blessed to come to church to meet Him is by God’s grace. For we are loved, called and chosen by God.

- We were called by the gospel.
- b. Paul was called and chosen by God.
 - Paul's name was Saul. God called him on his way to Damascus and made him the apostle to preach the gospel to the gentiles and changed his name to Paul.
 - Today God also called us to share the gospel and to bring the joy and peace of God to people around the world. This is the action of God's loved, called, and chosen people.
 - We must be faithful to the kingdom commission God had given us in the church.
 - Never stop to attend church meetings.
 - Never stop to share the gospel.
 - The glory of God will manifest in our lives.
 - We must continue to praise God and give all the glory to Him.
 - v(John 1:1-4)In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.
 - When we come to church and receive the word of God, we receive life.
 - This life is the light of man.
 - When we receive the word of God, our life will shine.

1 Thessalonians 1:5-8 | Zachariah 8:23

3. Seek the almighty and the power of the Holy Spirit.
 - a. v(1 Thessalonians 1:5) because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction.
 - "Our gospel came to you" mentioned in verse five is from Paul, Silas, and Timothy.
 - For the power of the Holy Spirit was upon them, they were empowered to face and triumph through all hardships and adversities.
 - The apostles learned from Lord Jesus Christ and the congregation in Thessalonica learned from the apostles.
 - This is why the work of gospel was so effective in the church of Thessalonica.
 - Because of the power of the Holy Spirit, they welcomed the message with the joy given by the Holy Spirit in spite of severe suffering, persecution, and tribulations.
 - b. Gospels were spread because of their life testimonies. (1 Thessalonians 1:7-8)
 - Through the power of the Holy Spirit, be joyful even during sufferings, we became imitators of the Lord.
 - The more persecution or suffering we are going through, the more we should step out and share the gospel and bless other people. This is the action of a true disciple.
 - Do not complain. Do not give in. Do not retreat. Do not get discouraged.
 - Steadfast in the word of God.
 - Continue to worship, continue to serve God, continue with our kingdom commission.
 - By the joy of the Holy Spirit, step out and share the gospel, and we will experience "how beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news."
 - Let the Hope of the Lord fill our heart for Jesus will come again.
 - Such faith and action set a good example and made the church of Thessalonica known everywhere.
 - Such faith and action will let us become the fisher of men.

- Such faith and action will move the lives around us.
- The gospel will be shared.
- v(Zachariah 8:23) This is what the LORD Almighty says: "In those days ten men from all languages and nations will take firm hold of one Jew by the hem of his robe and say, 'Let us go with you, because we have heard that God is with you.'"
- If we have the Holy Spirit in us and the light of Jesus is upon us, our life will attract people to come to church with us and get to know Jesus for they see that God is with you.

Hebrews 13:7 | Matthew 6:33 | John 10:3-9 | 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

4. Because of Christ, good deeds were done, His name made known.

- a. v(Hebrews 13:7) Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.
 - It is a great blessing that we were able to believe in Jesus and to be spiritually born in our church.
 - Through God's servant, we were able to build our lives up in truth.
 - They set good examples for us on acting upon the word of God.
 - "seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."
 - When we put God first, and seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, we will experience His wonders and abundant blessings.
 - With a thanksgiving heart, remember the examples the servant of God in our church has set for us, and continue our path in our kingdom commission.
 - We must not forget the commission God has called us.
 - Steadfast in the kingdom commission God has called you through His servant.
 - Be the imitator of the Lord.
 - Do not slow down and do not hesitate. Hurry and follow the Lord.
 - Eager to know God more and to become a pleasing in His eye.
 - Become the one who is loved by God.
- b. His sheep follow Him because they know His voice.
 - God's sheep knows His voice.
 - God will speak to us.
 - We must have a listening ear and obedient heart.
 - We must come before God in humility.
 - We must be willing to listen and willing to change.
 - God let us hear His voice.
 - To help us build up a heart that fear the Lord.
 - To help us surrender before Him.
 - To help us to live a life that is a pleasing to God.
 - v(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18) Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Wǒmen shì nǐ de bǎixìng
zhǔ nǐ shì wǒmen de shén
yòng zànměi dǎkāi chéngmén
lái yùbèi nǐ jiù ēn de dào lù

Chorus

Hūhǎn ba shén de bǎixìng hūhǎn ba
yēhéhuá

yǐ jiāng zhè chéng jiāo gěi wǒmen
ràng zànměi de shēngyīn bù tíngxī
rútóng dà shuǐ yānmò chóudí

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yǐ jiāng zhè chéng jiāo gěi wǒmen ràng
dǎogào de shēngyīn bù xiēxī
zhídào wǒmen kànjiàn fùxīng

Zhǔ wǒmen tóngxīn zài nǐ miànqián
yǐ dǎogào xúnqiú nǐ miàn
wǒmen zhuǎn lí suǒyǒu de è xíng
dìng yì dāndān gēnsuí nǐ

Zhǔ wǒmen shì shǔ nǐ de zì mín
qiú cì xià fù shén de xīn
wǒmen yào huí zhuǎnxiàng nǐ fù shén
yě yào kànjiàn fùxīng

Chorus

Wǒmen hū qiú nǐ ā bà fù
shèlì nǐ bǎozuò zài zhè de
nǐ bì zhēng yǎnkàn cè ěrchuí tīng
fèng zhǔ míng de hū qiú

Wànmín dōu yào lái jìng bài nǐ
róngyào gāojǔ nǐ de shèngmíng
fùxīng zhè de quánnéng de jūnwáng
wǒmen huānyíng nǐ

Fill This Temple

詞：祝瑞蓮
曲：Jim Cernero

Verse

Yuan wo xin cheng wei ni sheng ling de sheng dian
yuan wo ling gan dao ni yong bao de wen nuan
Yuan wo cheng wei yi ge shegn jie di ju suo
Rang ni sheng ling le yi ju zhu

Chorus

Zhu wo ke wang geng ren shi ni rong yao
Zhu wo xiang ni xian shang zan mei di ji
Qiu ni zai yi ci
Yong sheng ling chong man zhe dian

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Music & Lyrics :
Jim Cernero

Verse

Let my heart be the temple of Your Spirit
Let my spirit feel the warmth of Your embrace
Let me be a holy habitation
Where Your Spirit is pleased to dwell

Chorus

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The Blessing

Offering Worship

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Shen ci fu bao hu ni

Ta di lian guang zhao yao ni

En dian ci fu yu ni

Ye he hua xiang ni yang lian

Ping an yu ni

Amen

The Lord bless you and keep you

Make His face shine upon you

And be gracious to you

The Lord turn His face toward you

And give you peace

Amen

Yes, Lord, we belong to You Forever,
You will be my God With our praise,
open city gates Come prepare the way
for our glorious King Shout for joy

Chorus

God's people shout for joy Shout for joy,
for the Lord will give us this land
The sounds of our praise never cease
'til we see You reign on the earth
Shout for joy

God's people shout for joy Shout for joy,
for the Lord will give us this land
The sounds of our prayers never cease
'til we see You, our glorious King

We come together in unity
to seek Your face as we pray
We turn away from our sinful ways.
We're called to walk in Your ways.

We are the people called by Your name.
Give us Your heart as we pray.
Send us revival, forgive our sins.
Lord, let Your kingdom come

Chorus

Oh Abba we cry out to You.
Restore Your throne upon this land.
Open Your eyes, and hear our cries.
Forgive us Lord, we pray.

All nations bow before Your throne
to lift Your name above all names.
Come and reign, Almighty King.
Meet us in this place.

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