

SNAPSHOTS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Luke 17:1-10

This passage is like Jesus flipping through 4 _____ on a phone while giving us His commentary
The 4 snapshots are all of the same person, the _____ of Jesus Christ, but in 4 different poses

I. THE DISCIPLE AND _____ *Luke 17:1-3a*

- A. Jesus warns His disciples against “offenses” which refers to the part of a _____ that snares an animal
 - 1) Jesus is warning us against taking any action that would snare to trap another person into _____
 - 2) Jesus says such snares are _____ in this sinful world but His disciples should be such traps
- B. How do we become snares that may trap others into sin? The Bible mentions at least 2 ways:
 - 1) The sin of _____ : when we boldly confess Jesus but then sin very visibly and obviously
 - 2) When we use our Christian _____ in such a way as to cause other Christians to sin
- C. Jesus warns that we are responsible for our _____ ; better we die than snare another into sin

II. THE DISCIPLE AND _____ *Luke 17:3b-4*

- A. If I cannot forbear what another does to me, then Jesus commands me to _____ him or her
 - 1) I must not let the situation simply fester, causing _____ to build up in my heart
 - 2) I must not hold a _____ party and play the victim; I must reject training in how to be a victim
 - 3) I must not go and _____ to other people about what was done to me
 - 4) I must not blow my top and tell him off or blow my top and not tell him off, but _____ the dog instead
- B. If the offender simply SAYS, “I repent” then Jesus commands us to forgive, which means to _____
We must forgive repeated offenses because God offers us forgiveness when we _____ over and over

III. THE DISCIPLE AND _____ *Luke 17:5-6*

- A. When the disciples heard the 2 commands of Jesus in verses 3-4, they said, “Increase our _____ “
- B. Jesus implies that the disciples have faith and that the _____ of their faith is not the problem
- C. The smallest faith (mustard seed) can do the _____ (root up/replant a mulberry tree)
- D. The size of our faith is not as important as the _____ of our faith: we have a really big God!
- E. _____ ideas about faith (“Just really believe!”) are contradicted by Jesus emphasis in this passage

IV. THE DISCIPLE AND _____ *Luke 17:7-10*

- A. To illustrate this point, Jesus tells a parable about a _____ ; this word is used 125 times in the NT
 - 1) In the ancient world, slavery was primarily _____ ; slaves were recognized as human beings; they had rights in some cultures; at times they were highly educated and they were part of households
 - 2) In America, slavery was different—based on _____ not economics; slaves had no rights
- B. The relationship of a slave to a _____ in ancient times pictures our relationship to our Master, Jesus
 - 1) We come to the relationship in spiritual poverty: we cannot keep ourselves from spiritual _____
 - 2) Jesus _____ us with His lifeblood; “we are bought with a price” (1 Corinthians 6:19)
 - 3) Like slaves we do not get to pick and choose what we will/won’t do: we must obey _____ commands
 - 4) Even if we are obedient, our Lord will doesn’t _____ us anything: we don’t deserve God’s blessings
 - 5) Even when we are obedient, we still owe the Lord everything—our gratitude, worship and _____