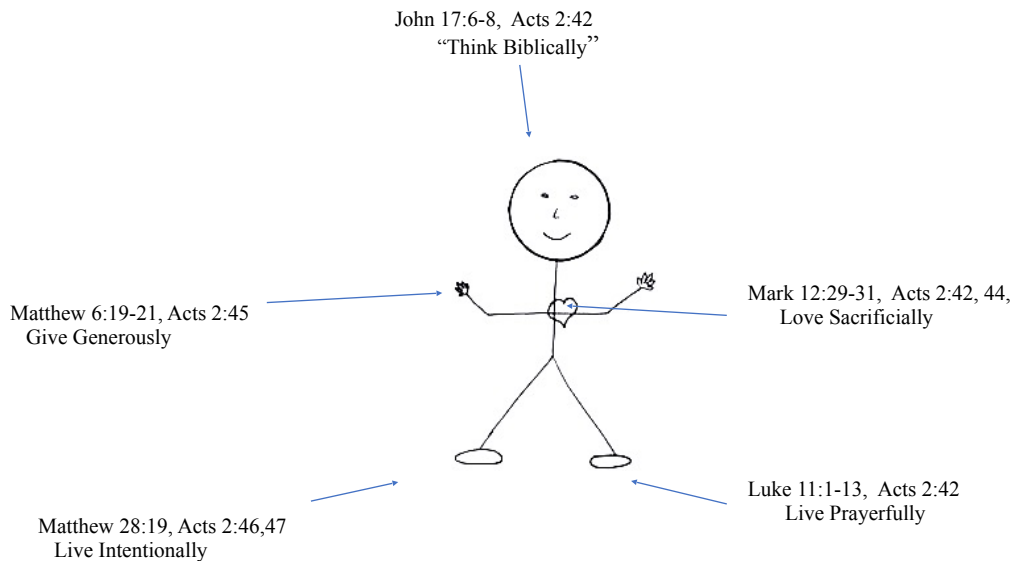


Jesus would teach them how to:

- Think Biblically
- Love sacrificially
- Give generously
- Live prayerfully
- Live intentionally



As you study the life of Jesus, you see the pattern of him inviting people to come discover who he was. Those who believed in him would then be invited to be with him. This time was now an investing time. The investing time was relational and would model for them what a disciple's relationship with God and other believers looks like.

I want to emphasize again, that you can certainly add more to the things Jesus was modeling, but I don't believe you could do less. Let's look at the five areas and discover what Scripture teaches.

Think Biblically - Through a gospel lens.

- Read John 17:6-8, 17 – What is Jesus stating in this prayer about Biblical thinking? Discuss the issue of truth compared to Ephesians 2:1-2.
- Read Romans 12:2 – What needs to take place in our lives? What is the benefit?
- Read 2 Corinthians 10:5 – What are the benefits of learning to think Biblically? What is the process of thinking Biblically?
- Read Ephesians 4:20-24 – What things and areas need to be transformed? Why?

Love Sacrificially

- Read John 13:34-35 – How are we to love? Is it optional?
- Read John 13:1-7 – How is this an example of sacrificial love?
- Read Philippians 2:1-8 – How is this a model for sacrificial love?
- Read Matthew 22:35-40 – How is sacrificial love manifested to God? To others?

Give Generously

- Read Mark 6:30-44 – What motives did the disciples see regarding giving? How did Jesus model generous giving?
- Read Matthew 6:19-21 – What is Jesus teaching about generous giving? How does Jesus model this in his life?
- Read Acts 2:42-45 – How is generous giving modeled in these verses?
- Read 1 John 3:16-17 – What do you learn about generous giving?
- Read Hebrews 3:16 – What does this say about generous giving?

Live Prayerfully

- Read Luke 9:1-6 – What was Jesus teaching about walking faithfully?
- Read Luke 11:1-13 - What was Jesus teaching about prayer?
- Read Colossians 1:9-14 – What do you notice about living prayerfully?
- Read Ephesians 3:14-21 - How does prayer focus us and strengthen us?

Live Intentionally

- Read Matthew 28:16-20 – What is Jesus' instructions about living intentionally? What promises does he give?
- Read Colossians 3:17 – What does living purposefully look like?
- Read Matthew 5:13-16 – What instructions are given regarding living intentionally?
- Read Mark 1:35-39 – What was Jesus teaching about living intentionally? Look at Luke 6:12, what else does he teach?

What should happen is that we use these five areas as gauges in our lives. Just like your car dashboard, imagine the five areas as gauges you keep in view. You watch them because they give you important feedback.

- Which of the five areas are most convicting to you? Is there one of the areas you never considered before?
- Which of the five areas do you feel least equipped to live out? What types of resources do believe you need?
- Which of the five areas have you experienced the most growth in?
- How can you use these five areas as gauges in your life? Share with the other person any of the five areas you need to address immediately.