

THE PATTERN FOR DISCIPLESHIP



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*What is a disciple?
What does discipleship look like?*

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Isaiah 8:16

Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples. ¹⁷ And I will wait upon the LORD, that hideth his face from the house of Jacob, and I will look for him.

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“Disciple” = “[one who is] *taught*”

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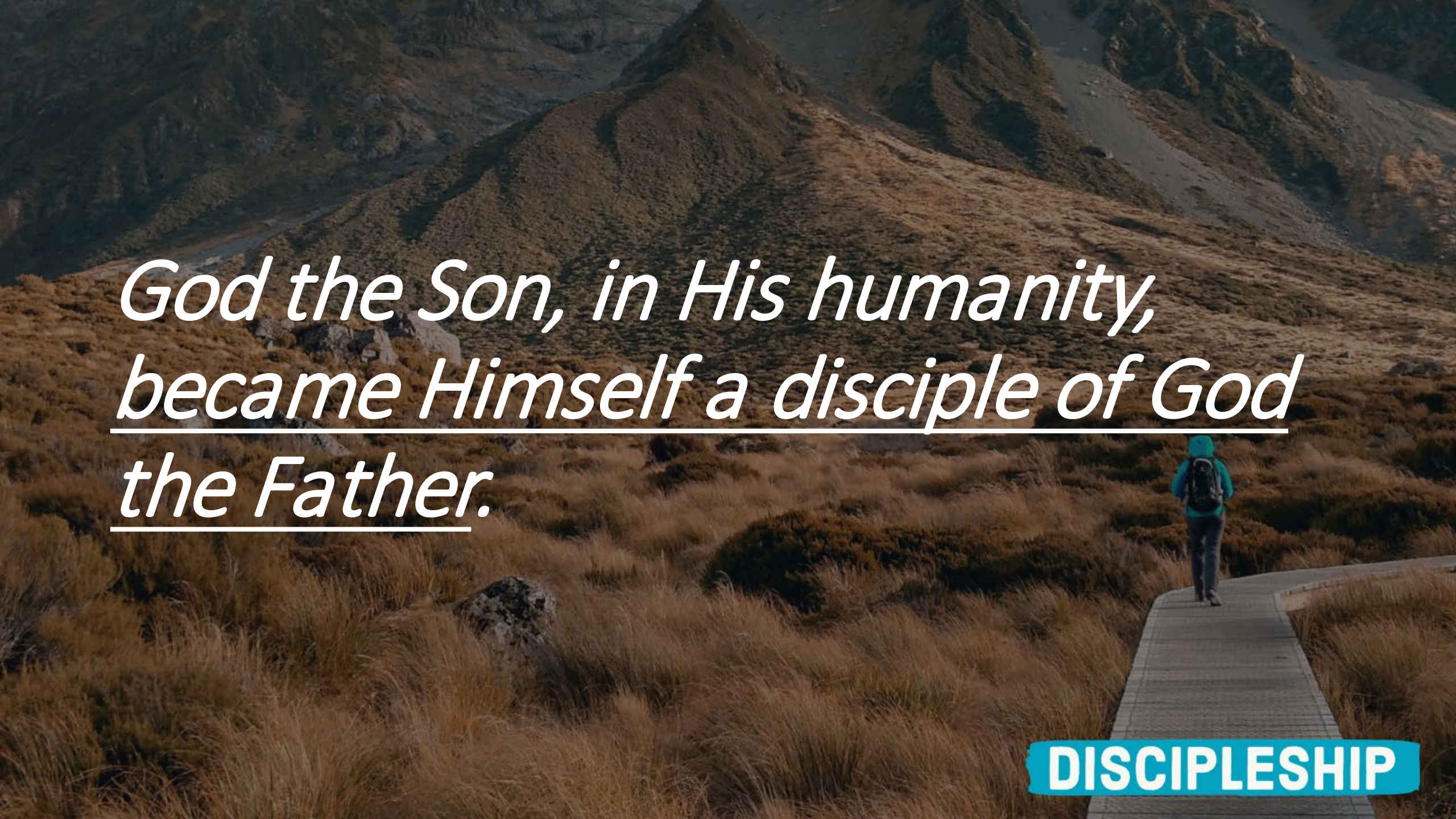
Who is Isaiah writing about?

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Isaiah 50:5-6


The Lord GOD hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. ⁶ I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.

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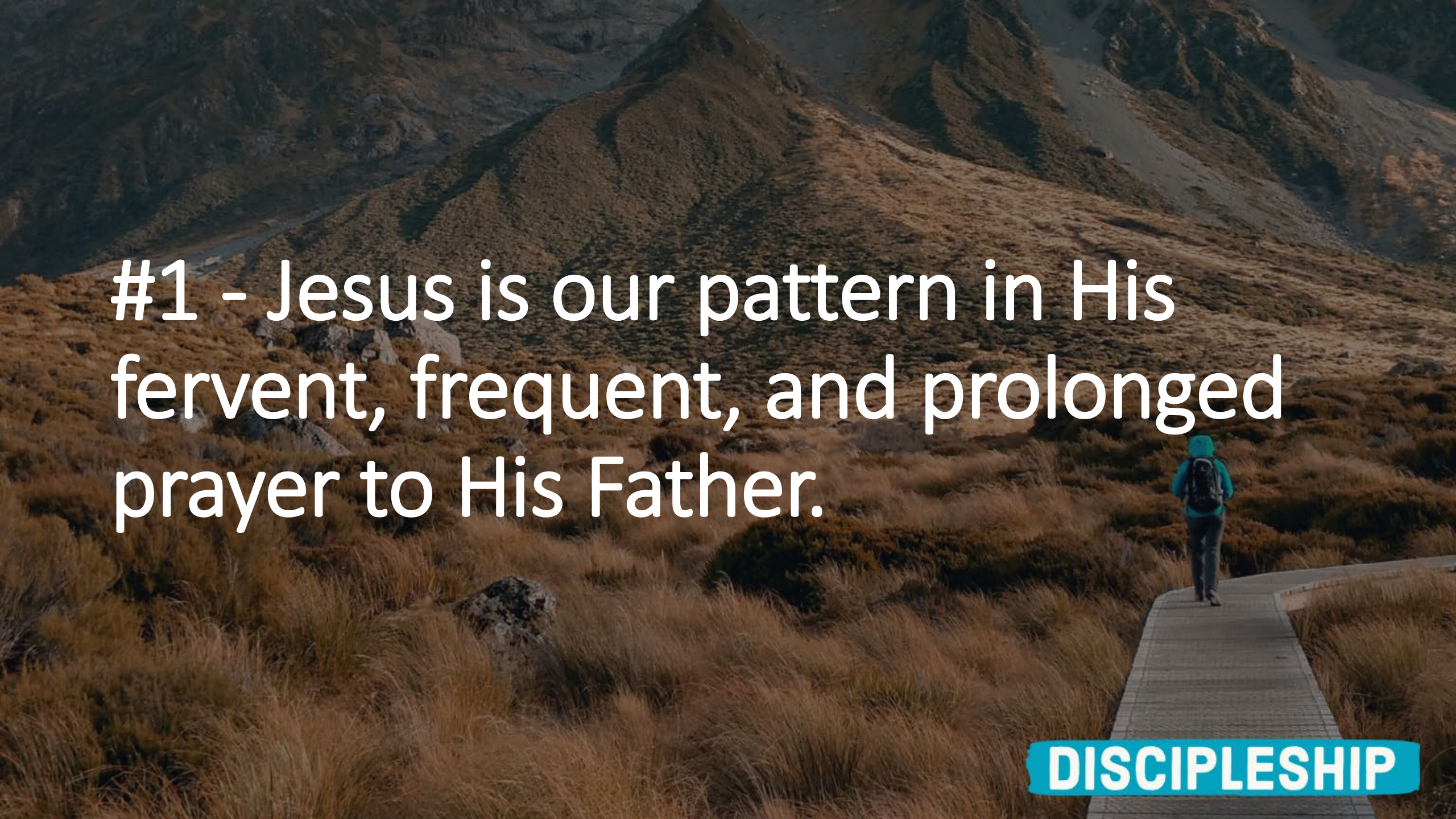
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*The pattern for disciples is the
Perfect Disciple—Jesus Christ.*

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- A. Prayer ran like a thread through the whole fabric and course of Christ's life.
- B. Christ's prayers were often in response to a specific need or trial.
- C. Christ exemplified the model prayer that He taught.
- D. Our Lord's requests were characterized by two focuses.

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- A. From His earliest years, He took every opportunity to learn the Scriptures (Lk 2:46).
- B. Yet Christ's primary teacher was the Holy Spirit (Jn 7:15).
- C. Through His study and the Spirit's instruction, He could combat Satan's attacks (Mt 4:1-11).

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A. Cleansing the temple (Jn 2:13-17).

B. Anger at hardness of heart (Mk 3:5).

C. His atonement itself (Isa 53; Ps 22).

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A. It was part of the Father's plan for Him (Lk 24:46; Acts 3:18).

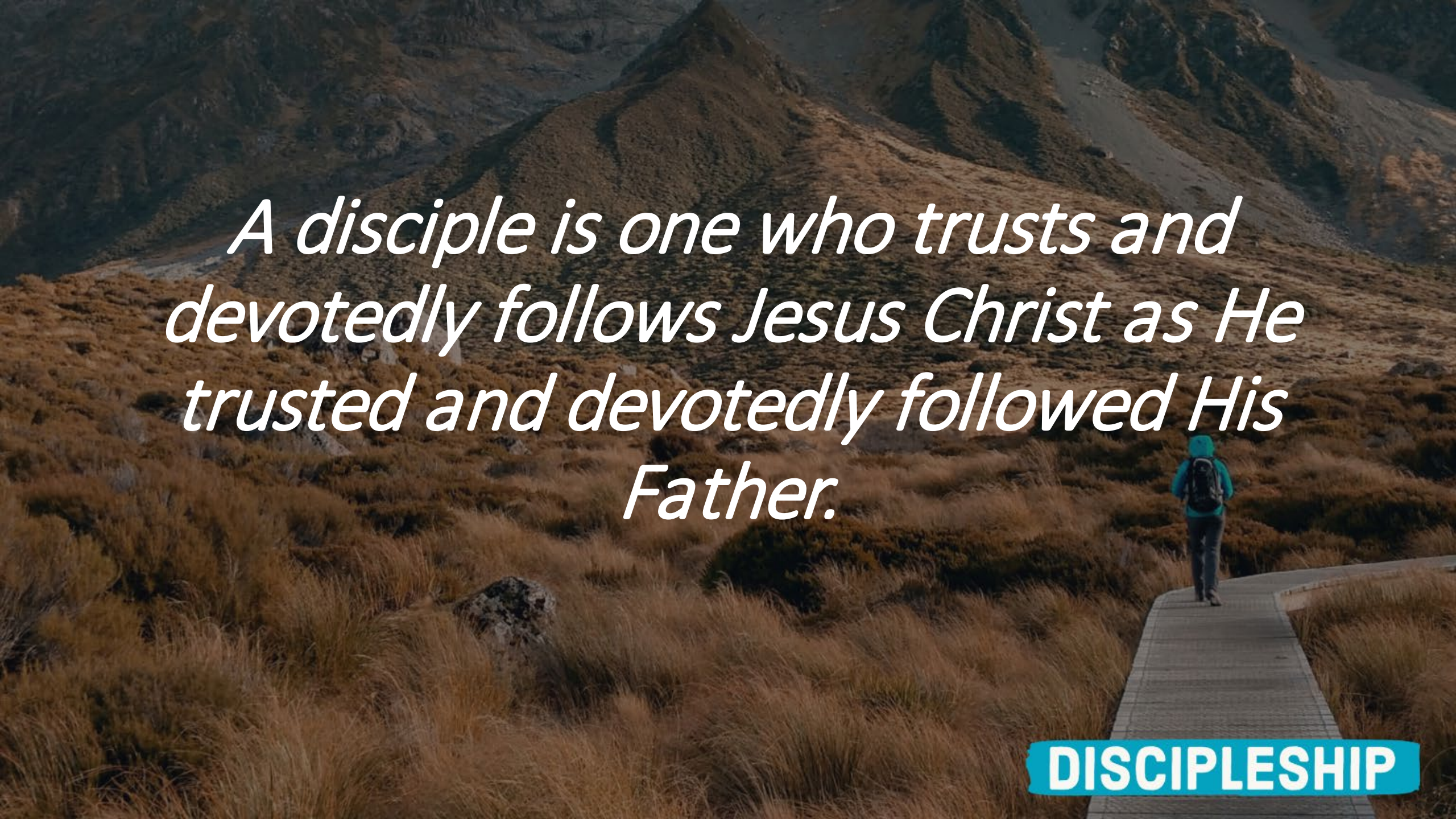
B. It is the expectation for His disciples (1 Cor 8:17; Phil 1:29; 2 Tim 3:12).

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*A disciple is one who trusts and
devotedly follows Jesus Christ as He
trusted and devotedly followed His
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Applications:

1. To follow Christ as disciples, we have to turn away from our sins.
2. To follow Christ as disciples, we must genuinely believe in Him.
3. To follow Christ as He followed His Father requires that we continuously strive to cultivate the spiritual life He lived.
4. To follow Christ as He followed His Father means letting go of our grip on this life.

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