

# What Does It Mean To Be A Christian?

## **Matt 16:24 - 27**

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### **I. What does to mean to be a Christian?**

#### **A. To love God?**

1. Many profess such
2. Their actions will either prove or deny this claim

**John 14:15** *If ye love me, keep my commandments.*

#### **B. To believe?**

1. Again many profess such
2. Their actions don't show true belief

**1 Jn 2:3-4** *And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.*

#### **C. To know the Word?**

**2 Tim 4:3-4** *Many know it and do not obey it*

#### **D. To be born again?..... Good question**

- Those born again were called Christians because people must have seen a Christ likeness.

**Acts 11:26** *And when he had found him, he brought him*

*unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.*

## **II. It means to pattern our lives after Jesus'**

### **A. Abide in Christ and bear fruit**

#### **John 15:1-6 5**

- This not a suggestion it is a command

### **B. Keep His commands**

**REMEMBER - 1 Jn 2:3-4** *And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.*

1. You must learn them to keep them
2. You must learn to teach them!

### **C. Evangelize the world**

#### **Matt 28:19-20**

- Go - teach - baptize
- Teaching to observe 'some' things?
- ALL things!! All Jesus commanded

#### **2 Cor 5:18-19**

- Are you a Christian?
- Make a commitment