Discipleship V/S Christianity

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Disciple: <u>becoming a follower of Jesus</u> **or** another leader (denomination): the new believer was discipled by a missionary.

As the definition of a disciple says, they are unerring followers of what they think is right.

Christianity: is today the world's most widespread religion, with more than a billion members, mainly divided between the Roman Catholic, Protestant, and Eastern Orthodox Churches. It originated among the Jewish followers of Jesus of Nazareth, who believed that he was the promised Messiah (or 'Christ'), but the Christian Church soon became an independent organization.

In 313 Constantine ended official persecution in the Roman Empire and in 380 Theodosius I recognized it as the state religion.

Jesus said: my Disciples

Mark 16:15* And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

<u>Matthew 10:24*</u> The disciple (follower) is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.

<u>Matthew 10:25</u>* It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, (Jesus) and the servant as his lord.

John 13:35* By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

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.

The phrase, Christian, was instigated officially at Antioch, before this they were referred to as disciples of Jesus or just Nazarenes as a slur.

Christian: At that time meant, imitators of Christ or Christ in (referring to the infilling of the Holy Ghost as was part of they're teaching) Some scriptures.

Acts 9:17* And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

Ephesians 3:19* And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

Ephesians 5:18* And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

They believed and taught that Jesus was who he said he was and that his word was true, he rose from the dead and anyone that (truly) believed in Jesus, had eternal life.

Mark 16:20* And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following.

Wherever the true Gospel is being proclaimed today, He confirms his word with signs and wonders following.

Hebrews 13:8* Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

Malichi 3:6 For I am the LORD, <u>I change not</u>; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

Today; the name Christianity has a total different analogy, thanks to TV and the news media. Christianity means Show Biz, money hungry and begging, gimmicks, they play on the emotions of people to obtain popularity and fame. In other words, if one uses gimmicks, they are essentially lying and the bible says that, "ALL liars will find their place in the lake of fire."

All these that say they are Christians are not true Christians. It started in the Apostle Paul's day – 1 Corinthians 1:12-13* Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ. Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?

1 Corinthians 3:4* For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal? (fleshly)

And so it is today

I'm a Baptist, I'm a catholic, I'm a Pentecostal, no, I believe in the full gospel or I'm Alliance or some other denomination. There are many other denominations that believe that Jesus is the son of God, BUT he IS NOT GOD. Now this is something I cannot understand, if God was his father (<u>Lu 1:35</u>) then he too, is not only the son of God, but he is God as well. It is similar to MY son, I sired him so he is my son. He can get his nose out of joint and change his last name to something other than mine, but he is still MY son. SEE THE CONNECTION?

Denominations Change, split, multiply and as they allow the spirit of Ant-Christ to infiltrate and dominate their assembly, it is no wonder God withdraws his Devine anointing and power from them. They are operating through their tradition and their own self righteous laws

A disciple of Jesus Christ, still means the same as it did 2000 years ago, if you truly love Jesus and are His disciple, I don't care what shingle you hang on yourself. If you are committed to Christ. It can't help but come out of your heart and mouth and of course your lifestyle.

But in todays political correct society you can get by with saying you are a Christian, BUT, if you say you're a follower (disciple) of Jesus you will be shunned. In a few short years, you will be beheaded.

Revelation 20:4* And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

So you see, it don't matter if you call yourself a Christian or a Disciple of Jesus Christ. It is what comes out of you and HOW you conduct yourself, THIS is what others see and base their judgements on.

I trust this has given you some clarification on this question.

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