

Opinion: Discipleship Costs

By Sarah Dixon Young

“Jesus turned and saw [two disciples] following him, and He said to them, ‘What are you seeking?’ And they said to Him, ‘Rabbi,’ (which means Teacher), ‘where are you staying?’ He said to them, ‘Come and you will see.’”

It was an invitation into His life, and one that would change the whole course of theirs.

They were students seeking out a good teacher. They would find that



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He was so much more.

Understanding this ancient tradition of aligning with a particular

Rabbi took my American mind some adjustment. It was a form of higher education in which a student became like his teacher by observing how he lived and adopting the principles which governed his actions.

In an excellent opinion piece for World Magazine, Erika Andersen recently wrote, “Too many women are still being discipled by the algorithm, and it shows.”

It made me pause and ask the question, “What

am I being discipled by?”

What am I following? What absorbs my time and attention?

It’s a startling question, but the answer was worse.

I’m being discipled by the news cycle, my substack feed, and Emma M. Lion. Not the Bee, my friend who likes to rant, and my other friend who is into conspiracy theories have a voice too.

When I wake up, I look at the weather and the news, but am I intention-

al about being discipled by God’s Word?

Am I allowing these voices to take the place of the discipleship I should be getting at church?

More importantly, am I missing the opportunity to disciple others, causing them to drift to YouTube, FaceBook, or Forums of all stripes to be informed about life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, and eternity?

Andersen’s solution? “Christian women need discipleship rooted in real

communities, accountable relationships, and a robust moral imagination, one capable of holding compassion and truth together.”

We need the church. We are the church, and the church is the body of disciples following our Rabbi, Jesus.

A young woman in my church could scroll instagram for ideas about baking, or I could say to her, “Come and see.”

Another woman in

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Unique ways to strengthen your faith during Lent & Holy Week

Spring is a special time of year for a number of reasons, not the least of which is the season is a particularly meaningful time for individuals of various faiths.

Sacred days for many of the world’s religions are celebrated in spring, including Easter.

Christians celebrate Easter, which commemorates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, after a lengthy period of spiritual preparation known as Lent.

Directly preceding Eas-

ter, Holy Week is a time for prayer, reflection and renewal.

Holy Week also can be an ideal opportunity for those who may not be as fully immersed in their faith as they would like to return to the church and embrace all that Christianity has to offer.

The following are some unique ways people can deepen their faith this Easter season.

Attend Mass

Various liturgies take place during Holy Week, including the Palm Sun-

day procession, Holy Thursday (Last Supper) Mass, Good Friday services, and the Easter Vigil. Each of these liturgies carries a special message and significance that offers powerful ways to be in the presence of God.

Pray the Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross are commonly prayed during Lent, particularly on Good Friday. Traditionally there are 14 Stations of the Cross, each depicting a different

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