

What Does It Mean to be “An Extraordinary Follower of Christ”?

Obeying Jesus’ Commandments

I. Introduction

- A. “Transforming ordinary people into extraordinary Followers of Christ.”

II. What Does It Mean to be “An Extraordinary Follower of Christ”?

- A. Commitment to Christ
 1. Received Christ as Lord and Savior (Born Again)
 2. Water baptized
 3. Worshipper of God
 4. Obedience to Christ and His Word
- B. Commitment to His Church
 1. Membership (Newcomer’s class)
 2. Consistent attendance
 3. Small group participation
 4. Giving of Finances
 5. Serving
- C. Commitment to His Cause
 1. Sharing your faith
 2. Being an inviter
 3. Leading and discipling others
 4. Ministering to others
 5. Ministering to the poor
 6. Local and global outreach

III. Obeying Jesus’ Commandments

- A. I John 2:1-6 (NLT) *1My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. 2He himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world. 3And we can be sure that we know him if we obey his commandments. 4If someone claims, “I know God,” but doesn’t obey God’s commandments, that person is a liar and is not living in the truth. 5But those who obey God’s word truly show how completely they love him. That is how we know we are living in him. 6Those who say they live in God should live their lives as Jesus did.*
- B. I John 2:3 (NLT) *And we can be sure that we know him if we obey his commandments.*
- C. I John 2:4-5 (NLT) *4If someone claims, “I know God,” but doesn’t obey God’s commandments, that person is a liar and is not living in the truth. 5But those who obey God’s word truly show how completely they love him. That is how we know we are living in him.*
- D. I John 2:1a (NLT) *My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin.*

E. John 14:30b (NAS) *"The ruler of the world is coming, and he has nothing in Me."*

IV. Conclusion