## Ten Great Disciplines of Christian Disciples

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Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness

**Humility** 

Repentance

Growing in Grace

Making Ourselves Living Sacrifices

Rejoicing! Considering it Pure Joy

Good Works

Examine Ourselves

Living by and Keeping in Step with The Spirit

Living a Life Worthy of a Christian Disciple

Foundations for Living a Distinctly Christian Life

## **Key Implications**

and all these things [all daily needs] will be given to you as well." This is a precise and tangible promise Jesus makes to give us all we need if we seek first God's kingdom and righteousness.

The <u>only</u> basis given in the *Bible* for receiving grace is "to the humble." And the <u>only</u> basis for God's salvation given in the *Bible* is "by grace."

True humility will always lead to repentance for repentance is simply humility in action.

There are three type people – those who have no idea of what grace is, those who are in error about it and those who are growing in grace.

Disciplines are effort, they require sacrificing what we were and did for the hope and expectation of a better "will be." Yet, this sacrificing is for ourselves, not anyone else (including God)!

Joy/rejoicing are not optional - they are necessary to retain and build faith.

There is nothing we can do for or give anyone that would remotely compare in value to witnessing to them about the gospel of Jesus Christ . . . All good works have this as their ultimate objective.

And this examination is to be completed objectively in relation to what the Bible says, not subjectively based on what we have been told, think or believe!

Living by and keeping in step with The Spirit is vital because this is our only sign and evidence that we are, in fact, "in Christ."

The nine previous great Christian disciplines are crucial to the ultimate goal and gauge of an authentic (as defined by the *Bible*) Christian life, living a life worthy of Jesus Christ, the Giver of all grace to do so.

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Lk 4:18-19