

**What is a real disciple of Jesus?**

From Mark 3.

One who is with Jesus AND does His will.

**How do disciples learn about King Jesus and his kingdom ?**

**Mark 4:1- 20**

Parables. Every one may hear and remember the earthly story.

Few understand the heavenly meaning.

[v. 9] Jesus stresses the need to listen carefully if you want to understand what he is really saying.

[v. 13] Even disciples have difficulty understanding.

[v. 14 -20]

The word is heard by all sorts of people.

-Some dismiss it immediately

-- Some accept it, but only for a while.

--- Some accept the word but do not live fruitful lives

---- Some do accept the word and live fruitful lives for him.

[21 to 25] Parables about King Jesus and the need to listen carefully and to put effort into understanding.

[26 – 32] Kingdom parables.

**Take home message**

Do you want to learn more about King Jesus and his kingdom?

Do you want to be a fruitful disciple?