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2026: Flourishing Together:
Transformed on The Jesus Way
Gospel Guide: John

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.
-Romans 12:1-2

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November 1, 2026 – November 28, 2026

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-Send Them (Us)!

SERMON: *Disciple Them!*
Text: **Acts 11:19-30**

CONTEXT
In Acts 11, the Church was still in its infancy. Around AD 40 or so, "some of them" – Christians who had been scattered by persecution – traveled to Antioch and shared the good news about the Lord Jesus in Antioch with "all of them." Barnabas and Saul (Paul) then worked together to "disciple them."

The mandate from Jesus: ***Make Disciples!***

The "disciples" were called "Christians" first at Antioch.

FLOURISHING TOGETHER
Producing fruitful disciples who are impacting their world for Christ!

Ultimately each church will be evaluated by only one thing. Its disciples. Your church is only as good as its disciples. It does not matter how good your praise, preaching, programs, or property are. If your disciples are passive, needy, consumerist, and not moving in the direction of radical obedience, your church is not good.
-Neil Cole, ***Ordinary Hero: Becoming a Disciple Who Makes a Difference***

A Disciple: A person being formed by Jesus as they follow Him in accomplishing His mission.
DISCIPLESHIP is not a linear process, but it is a process.

DISCIPLESHIP is not just about relationship, but it is rooted in a relationship with Jesus and strengthened through relationships with other disciples.

DISCIPLESHIP is intentional not accidental.

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Knowing God	Experiencing God	Serving God
Saved	Shepherded	Sent
	Shaped	

PRAYER:

Father, shepherd me and shape me into a better disciple of Jesus. Amen.