

Where am I in the matter of commitment or devotion to the Lord? What is there in my life that hinders my availability to the Lord.

Our capacity to serve the Lord is directly related to our trust and commitment to Him and God’s values and priorities. [Luke 6:46](#)

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Gifted men and women are given by the Savior to equip the saints for the work of ministry for the building up the body of Christ. The goal is to bring all believers to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God. [Ephesians 4:11](#)

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The Lord Jesus invested His life in training men to become disciples who would be fully devoted to Him, to His commission to spread the gospel to a lost world, and build men and women in Christ. [John 1:16](#), [John 14:6](#)

But just who is a disciple? Is being a disciple the same as being a believer? Is the term ever used of unbelievers? Are there various kinds or degrees of discipleship? [John 6:66-69](#), [1John 2:19](#)

(J. Dwight Pentecost calls the *curious*, the *convinced*, and the *committed*.)

Used by the Lord Himself; to be a true disciple means to be fully committed in order to follow and learn from Him. It means to have a life of devotion to Christ, self-denial, and obedience to His Word. [John 15:7-11](#), [John. 8:31](#), [Luke. 6:40](#) [Luke 14:26](#)

#### **What the term commitment means?**

Commitment means the dedication of one’s life is to the revealed will of God; it means the desire and willingness to choose for the Lord and His values regardless of the cost. In essence it is a single-minded devotion. [Matthew 6:33](#)

#### **A single-minded devotion True devotion Exodus. 20:2-3**

God was calling the new nation to stop living in the old way and make a fresh start, one based on complete trust and loyalty to the God of Israel. [2 Corinthians 5:17](#)

One of the greatest goals of discipleship is to become like one’s teacher and to be transformed into the likeness of the Savior who was the supreme example of single-minded devotion to the Father [Luke 6:40](#). [Romans8:29](#)

What does a lack of commitment do to a person’s ability to serve the Lord? [Matthew 6:24](#), [Luke 14:26-27](#)

**Allow me to leave you with this question.**

Where you in the matter of commitment or devotion to the Lord? What is there in your life that hinders your availability to the Lord, what kinds of things are affecting your life? [1 John 2:17](#)