

Looking for a job?

Have some extra time on your hand?

Don't know what to do today?

Your values will be reflected by the way you respond to such situations. What you do will demonstrate whether you are a disciple (a genuine follower of Jesus) or not. You can claim you are a disciple; you can pretend you are a follower of Jesus... but your values, choices and actions will prove the true condition of your heart.

If you are a disciple, some of the first questions that may enter your mind are...

- How can I use the gifts and abilities God has given me, to benefit others?
- What can I do to bring honor and glory to God?
- What can I do, which will help me to grow in my love for God and neighbor?

If you are not a disciple, some of the first questions that may enter your mind are...

- What sounds like fun?
- What would get me a lot of money (or prestige or happiness, etc.)?
- [Or you might just blindly act, without even thinking about what you are doing, or why.]

A person does not become a disciple by "getting religious." It starts when a person submits to the Word and will of God, and the Holy Spirit begins to change the person's heart. Since God is the author of that change, it will take place. There will never be an instance in which God's Spirit fails to accomplish his work, and a genuine disciple remains unchanged in his heart and values.