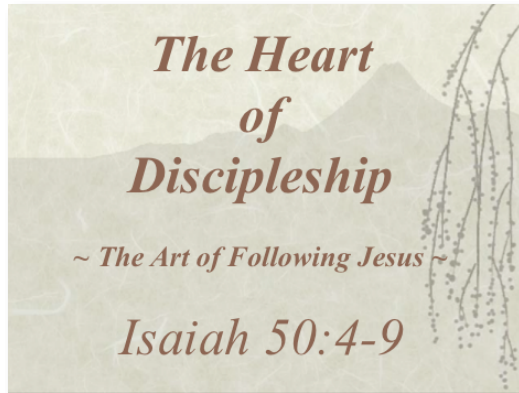


# The Heart of Discipleship

## Bible Study Questions on Isaiah 50:4-9



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### **A.) The Training of the Disciple (Isaiah 50:4a)**

*“The Lord GOD has given Me the tongue of disciples.”*

1. How eager are you to learn?
2. Has pride settled in your heart? Christ learned each day.
3. What proof do you have to show that you are still eager to learn?

## **B.) The Purpose of the Disciple (Isaiah 50:4b)**

*“The Lord GOD has given Me the tongue of disciples, That I may know how to sustain the weary one with a word.”*

1. What is your motivation to learn? A good position, a wife, money, status, image?
2. Is it possible that you just want people to esteem you?
3. Who has the Lord laid on your heart to reach?
4. What do you need to effectively reach out to these people?
5. Ask the Lord to properly equip and train you.
6. Why is it that the typical ministerial school is inadequate?

## **C.) The Discipline of the Disciple (Isaiah 50:4c)**

*“He awakens Me morning by morning.”*

1. What time do you get up?
2. Does the Lord wake you up? What does this mean?

3. Are your first thoughts of each day on what the Lord has for you?
4. How close is your relationship to God your Father?

## **D.) The attention of a disciple (Isaiah 50:4d)**

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### **A disciple attentively listens to and obeys God (Isaiah 50:4d)**

1. What is the difference between hearing and listening?
2. Do you hear God? Do you listen?
3. How does this verse show us how Christ listened to His Father?
4. What do you do if you do not like what the Father asks you to do?
5. How important is it for you to meet God and do His will each day?
6. How do you know this?

## **E.) The Resolve of the Disciple (Isaiah 50:5-9)**

*“The Lord GOD has opened My ear; And I was not disobedient, Nor did I turn back. (6) I gave My back to those who strike Me, And My cheeks to those who pluck out the beard; I did not cover My face from humiliation and spitting. (7) For the Lord GOD helps Me, Therefore, I am not disgraced; Therefore, I have set My face like flint, And I know that I shall not be ashamed. (8) He who vindicates Me is near; Who will contend with Me? Let us stand up to each other; Who has a case against Me? Let him draw near to Me. (9) Behold, the Lord GOD helps Me; Who is he who condemns Me? Behold, they will all wear out like a garment; The moth will eat them.” (Isaiah 50:5-9).*

### **A disciple withstands difficulties to please His Master (Isaiah 50:5-9)**

1. What did the Lord do to His ear (50:5)? What does this mean?
2. What is the difference between awakening (4) and opening an ear (5)?
3. What was the effect of this in the Servant’s life (5)?
4. How committed are you to doing God’s will no matter where, what or when?
5. What are the three things He says He does in verse 6?
6. Why does He say He does it rather than His enemies doing it to Him?

7. In verse 7, it says God helps Him. How does God help Him when suffering pain?
8. How do you handle pain and suffering (7)? Do you blame God or trust Him?
9. What was His attitudes to those who mistreated Him (8-9)? How do you know?
10. Do you always forgive everyone? Why or why not?
11. Why should you forgive others?
12. How do all of these verses (50:4-9), being the example of Christ, give you extra motivation to faithfully follow and be more like Christ?