

JESUS, *the* MASTER TEACHER

[Matthew 10: 24-27](#)

Teachers have a great impact on many of us, positive and sometimes negative

Recall a Teacher that influenced you or, if you are a teacher, recall someone on whom you made an impact – were you loved or something else?

Jesus our teacher

- ▣ **Jesus was defined by his role as a teacher.**
- ▣ Most people called him this. (“Rabbi” is an equivalent term)
- ▣ **We should be defined by our role as students.**
- ▣ In this passage, Jesus lays out some important principles for us.

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- ▣ **Students shouldn't rule.**
- ▣ Students are not above teachers, nor servants above masters.
- ▣ All education involves submission.
- ▣ We must submit to knowledge, and to a teacher.
- ▣ Jesus is not our buddy-buddy: he is our Lord, master and instructor.

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- ▣ **Students should emulate.**
- ▣ Students should be like teachers, and servants like masters.
- ▣ We learn best from those we admire.
- ▣ Christians should seek to be like Jesus.
- ▣ We must be formed by the Master.
- ▣ Follow Jesus' lead.
- ▣ We should believe what he believed.

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- ▣ It is Jesus whom we are asking people to trust and obey, not a book.
- ▣ We should live the way he lived.
- ▣ Jesus loved the little people - outcasts and sinners especially.
- ▣ He forgave people, even those who nailed him to a cross.

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- ▣ Jesus practiced unwavering integrity in his lifestyle.
- ▣ He was devoted to God.
- ▣ He attended religious services.
- ▣ He studied and memorized the Bible.
- ▣ He spent nights in solitary prayer.
- ▣ He told everyone about his Father.

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- ▣ **In what ways are you like Jesus?**
 - Forgiveness...
 - Compassion and outreach...
 - Moral integrity...
 - Courage against opposition.

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- ▣ **Your education is not a secret.**
- ▣ Don't be afraid.
- ▣ We are to boldly proclaim the Good News about salvation.
- ▣ It is nothing to be ashamed of.
- ▣ No more secrets.
- ▣ Everything will be revealed (or, exposed).
- ▣ We are in the business of Truth until he returns.

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Following Jesus as
Your Teacher