

# aboriginal BIBLE ACADEMY

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*“If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also....And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me....So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.” - Luke 14:26-27, 33*

Those were quite the sobering words Jesus uttered to the crowds that had been following him. Up to that point many of those tagging along were there more for the spectacle that Jesus created through his working of miracles, his shaming of the religious elite and/or his various mentions of the “captive being set free” (very appealing to the ears of people under the tyranny of the Roman Empire). But now, Jesus began speaking of the “cost” to be a disciple.

Oswald Chambers (author of “My Utmost for His Highest”) describes discipleship as a personal, passionate devotion to a Person - our Lord Jesus Christ. It is an interesting and key distinction to make as there really is a vast difference between devotion to a person and devotion to principles or to a cause. The reality is, our Lord never proclaimed a cause - He proclaimed personal devotion to Himself. Discipleship development needs to be viewed within this light.

With the various discipleship resources available through Aboriginal Bible Academy, a balanced spiritual diet is afforded to the individual while also providing outlets for practical ministry expressions reflecting ones devotion to Christ and not simply a cause.

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## Check This Out! (Contact our office for more information)

*Abundant Living: A Study of Christian Character* is a practical course of study from Galatians 5 and related Scriptures. It emphasizes the development of Christian qualities and their out-workings in the Christian's relationships and service. Biblical definitions and examples are emphasized in describing the nine dimensions of spiritual fruit, and practical applications are made which relate these characteristics to the individual Christian life.

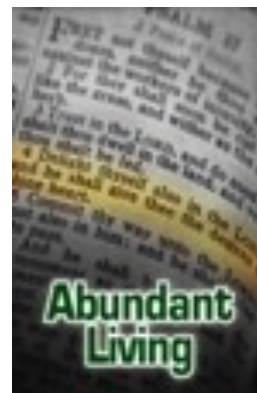
The course will help the student understand the principles of Christian fruit-bearing and the necessity for the progressive development of a Christ-like character for effective Christian service and an abundant life in the Spirit. The student will be encouraged to make a commitment to develop the qualities of Christian character in his or her life and to display these qualities in his or her everyday experiences.

**When you finish this course, you should be able to:**

1. List the nine characteristics of the fruit of the Spirit and give

a definition of each based on biblical usage.

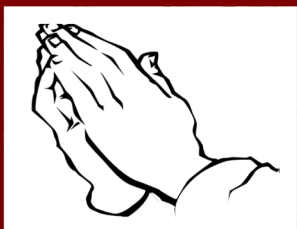
2. Explain the biblical concepts of fruit-bearing, Christlikeness, progressive development of Christian character, and Christian liberty.
3. Describe what it means to manifest a Christ-like character in daily relationships and experiences.
4. Put into daily practice the principles of Christian fruit-bearing as you yield control of your life to the Holy Spirit.



Study #18 in the Christian Service Series

## What Lays Ahead?

**DON'T FORGET to PRAY for ABA!**



The days before us are filled with wonder potential and opportunity!

Early in April (around the time when some will receive this newsletter), our director will be in Val d'Or, QC participating in the Quebec Native Council meetings as one of the seminar presenters.

The month of May is also busy early on with Aboriginal Guiding Group meetings. It's a gathering of

PAOC native ministry leaders from across Canada.

That is immediately followed by the PAOC General Conference in Montreal, with a trip to Cape Dorset (arctic Canada) in mid-June.

Please pray for safety as Dan travels throughout the coming weeks and that God's favour would rest upon the ministry of ABA.

# What's Been Happening

Typically, new growth takes a sabbatical when it's winter awaiting the arrival of spring with it's warmer temperatures and longer days but here at ABA we've been hard at work continuing to cultivate disciple making environments.

The early part of 2016 provided several opportunities for various church visits, expounding on the virtues of discipleship training and raising awareness for ABA. The year continued with further exploration of the viability for a local training centre to operate on a regular schedule here in Tyendinaga (Bay of Quite Mohawks).



Native New Life  
Training Centre  
In Tyendinaga

The beginning of the month of March saw a trip to Winnipeg for the Aboriginal Pentecostal Ministries Conference. ABA had a presence both with an exhibitors table as well as an opportunity to address the pastors and leaders in attendance regarding the need for discipleship development within our congregations.

Nearing the end of March our director, Dan Collado visited Living Water Assembly in Mistissini, QC. He was invited to preach over the Easter weekend and was able to provide further exposure regarding the ministry of ABA, enrolling new students while encouraging existing ones.



Dan Collado preaching  
in Mistissini, QC

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