

Grace Evangelism

LESSON 8: Guidelines for Discipleship



Starting Point

- “Follow Me” – Matt. 4:19; 8:22; 9:9; 19:21;
Mark 2:14; 8:34; Luke 5:27; 9:59; John 21:19



Starting Point

- Two Primary Dynamics of Discipleship
 - Instructing in the Scriptures
 - Mentoring in the Experience



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- Matthew 28:18–20
- **18** And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. **19** Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”



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- **C**ontext
- **O**bservation
- **M**eaning
- **A**pplication



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- Reading
- Memorization (Psalm 119:9-11)
- Prayer
 - **A** doration
 - **C** onfession
 - **T** hanksgiving
 - **S** upplication



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- C. Exemplify love for the Church
 - Teach and model love for what Jesus loves



Discipleship Deeper Dive

• Discipling

- “Helping others to follow Jesus.” – Mark Dever
- To know, love, and obey Jesus Christ.
- Remembering paradigm of Scripture (“Gospel Grammar” – Sinclair Ferguson)

“God’s indicatives are always the basis for God’s imperatives. This is why we often find the word therefore in the New Testament. It’s because of who God is and what He has done for us in Christ that we should therefore respond in a certain way. What God does in His grace, the indicative, is the foundation for what we do in our response of faith and obedience, responding to His imperative.”



Discipleship Deeper Dive

- Discipling – 3 C's (*The Trellis and the Vine*)
 - Conviction
 - Biblical doctrine and truth
 - Character
 - Christian graces, Fruit of the Spirit
 - Competency
 - The Christian Life; God-given Roles; Serving
 - Ex. How to Pray; How to Suffer; How to Witness; How to Parent, etc.



Discipleship Deeper Dive

- Discipling

- Corporate – Ephesians 4:11-16 - Equipped
- Small group
- Individual – one on one



Discipleship Deeper Dive

- Discipling – Pay the Cost (Dever)
 - Takes Time
 - Requires Study
 - Requires Prayer
 - Requires Love
 - Love initiates a discipling relationship
 - Love perseveres in a discipling relationship
 - Love humbly receives the criticism that often comes in a discipling relationship
 - Love humbly gives of itself in a discipling relationship
 - Love allows us to end discipling relationships



Questions for Discussion

- What is the difference between making converts and making disciples?
- What place does the local church play in discipling?
- What happens if we have a narrow view of discipling? (strictly one on one)
- What might keep someone from initiating discipling? Seeking discipling?
- How have you benefitted from discipling relationships?
- Share any evangelistic or discipling encouragements.

