

"Your greatest
DISCIPLESHIP
tool is your personal
INTIMACY
with Jesus"



DISCIPLESHIP

PRINCIPLES

1. Know & Understand the Gospel
2. GO! Get in the Game
3. Make Disciples
4. Obedience Through Baptism
5. Live through the Holy Spirit
6. Teach the Word of God
7. He is with Us

MATTHEW 28:19-20

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

PRINCIPLES FROM MATTHEW 28:19-20

#1: KNOW AND UNDERSTAND THE GOSPEL

A passion for the gospel and discipleship find its foundation in a transformed life. The person wholly changed by the gospel is motivated deep in his/her soul by sharing their transformation with others.

- Romans 3:23 - All sin
- Romans 6:23 - All die
- Romans 5:8 - Substitute
- Romans 10:9-10 - Confess and Believe
- Romans 12:1-2 - Be transformed

#2: GO! GET IN THE GAME

The call to GO assumes a life motivated by transformation.

- Love people well
- Be purposeful
- It's about a relationship; not about religion
- Teach the Word of God every day

#3: MAKE DISCIPLES

Discipleship is simply the passion, commitment, and discipline to help people grow deeper in their relationship with Christ.

- Colossians 3:16 - The Bible is the foundation
- 1 Timothy 4:7-8 - Disciple and Godliness
- Titus 2:1-8 - Focus on the next generation
- Philippians 2:12-13 - Training is a part of sanctification



GOAL OF DISCIPLESHIP

The object of discipleship is simply to take someone in the faith and help them grow in intimacy with Christ, develop a deep foundation built on God's Word, and empower them to engage the world around them with the love and truth modeled by Jesus.

"Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, Communion without confession, absolution without personal confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer



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#4: OBEDIENCE THROUGH BAPTISM

Baptism is an outward expression of an inward reality. The transformed life joyfully and willingly walks in obedience and follows Jesus' example.

- Matthew 3:13-17 - Jesus example
- Galatians 3:26-27 - Clothe yourselves with Christ
- 1 Peter 3:21 - Importance of a clear conscience
- 1 Corinthians 12:13 - Unity of the body

#5: LIVE LIFE THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT

The work of the Holy Spirit in a changed life works in conjunction with the Word of God to bring about transformation in the believers life.

- Acts 1:8 - The Spirit is power
- Galatians 5:22 - The fruits of the Spirit
- John 14:26 - Lead you into truth
- Ephesians 1:13-14 - The Spirit seals you
- Ephesians 5:18 - Be filled with the Spirit
- Galatians 5:16 - Victory over sin
- 2 Peter 1:21 - Spirit and the Word
- 1 Corinthians 6:19 - Bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit

#6: TEACH THE WORD OF GOD

The Word of God is our access to God's description on what He is like, how we might have salvation, and how we live a life pleasing to Him.

- 2 Timothy 2:2 - Pass it on
- Joshua 1:8 - Dwell on the Word
- 1 Peter 1:3 - Living hope
- Hebrews 4:12 - Word is alive and active

#7: HE IS WITH US

We are not alone. God is with us and left the Holy Spirit to guide us until Christ' returns. We look forward with a "fixed hope" to His return.

- Romans 8:37

WHAT NOW?

1. Right now, just sit down and on a piece of paper, write down the name of someone. Who is it that God puts on your heart?
2. Pray specifically that God would show you the next step to take.
3. Go and ask. Once the Lord leads, don't wait.
4. Get busy investing into people. Don't wait until tomorrow.
5. Teach what you know is true about Jesus.



1 THESSALONIANS 2:8

"In the same way we had a fond affection for you and were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God, but also our own lives, because you had become very dear to us."