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HOW TO
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Journey
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RESOURCE

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Starting Journey in your ministry

Our Training Meeting schedule - this page is to be lead by Discippler A

1. Opening Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership
2. Disciplers meeting one on one with another Discippler over these subjects or our Church Leadership may opt to teach the following subjects:
 1. Review last meeting's assignment
 2. Understand our Strategy for Journey - A
 3. Common Questions - read by Discippler B
 4. Review - read by Discippler B
3. Closing Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership

Materials

- Training session materials for Discippler A or Discippler B
- Your Bible
- Copy of Journey discipleship lessons

Let's review last meeting's assignment

1. The first assignment was to study Lesson 2 Sections A and B.
2. Please check this box if you completed that assignment: Yes, Assignment Completed.
3. The second assignment was to read-write-say 1st John.
4. Please check this box if you completed that assignment: Yes, Assignment Completed.
5. Remember, after we take someone completely through Journey we will better understand the design and purpose of each section in Journey. Each lesson builds upon the previous to produce an evangelizing, multiplying disciple maker.

Discipler Training Session 1

Our Training Meeting schedule

1. Opening Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership
2. Study the following subjects:
 - (1) Understanding Discipleship Definitions
 - (2) See an Overview of Journey
 - (3) Review and Assignment
3. Closing Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership

Materials

- Training session materials
- Your Bible
- Copy of Journey discipleship lessons

Procedures

1. Please carefully follow all instructions and assignments.
2. Write down any questions and get the answers from your church leadership.
3. After we take someone completely through Journey, we will better understand the design and purpose of each section in Journey. Each lesson builds upon the previous to produce an evangelizing, multiplying disciple maker.

May God bless us in our preparation for this vital ministry.

Session 1

I. Understanding Discipleship Definitions

I am sure we can agree that the Word of God is the best **standard** and Jesus Christ is the best and only one example to follow. So if we agree that our standard is the Word of God and that our example is Jesus Christ then we must notice that He invested His earthly ministry in making **disciples**. Read John 8:30-31 and see what Jesus said to new believers.

We may need hundreds of strategies for evangelism but God's Word is very specific as to what He requires to be His disciple. And to make sure we all have the same idea in our minds, let's understand our definitions concerning one on one Discipleship...

We could say that Discipleship is...

- Grounding the disciple in the Word of God, but it's not just that;
- It is Bible Study, but not just that;
- A close relationship between the discipler and the disciple, but not just that;
- Teaching the Word of God, but not just that;
- Training to be a Discipler, but not just that and the list could go on and on.

What is our definition of Discipleship?

1. It is Multiplying Evangelizing Disciple Makers.
2. And the best results come from meeting one on one.

Let's understand the definition of a Discipler:

A Discipler is simply one whom the Pastor can trust to take care of a new Believer.

Ultimately, a Discipler is one who regularly leads people to Christ and disciples them to do the same in their local church.

What is a disciple?

A disciple is a Believer who desires to grow in the Word of God and Christ-like character by learning and applying the Word of God. Let's read John 8:30-31. Notice that Jesus gave a requirement to be His disciple. What is that requirement?

You can begin Journey with a believer or non-believer as Lesson 1 is designed to lead someone to Christ or provide a complete study on Salvation so they'll understand this foundational subject to be a witness for Christ.

Lesson one is also available as an Outreach Lesson to use with someone you want to witness to but not involve the Journey book. You may download that from www.TheJourneyForum.com.

Session 1

2. See an Overview of Journey

Let's read the lesson themes and topics to see where we are going in Journey:

<p>Lesson 1 - <u>Salvation</u></p> <p>Creation and the one true God Where evil came from The first man and woman The promise of a Savior The claims of the Savior Commitment to salvation</p>	<p>Lesson 6 - <u>The Future</u></p> <p>Our spiritual armor The Rapture and The Tribulation The Second Coming and The Millennium The new heaven and new earth The Judgment Seat of Christ</p> <p><i>Discipleship Training Module 2</i> Topic: The value of one on one discipleship</p>
<p>Lesson 2 - <u>Assurance of Salvation</u></p> <p>The reliability of the Word of God The promises for Assurance God's Holy Spirit dwells in us Your new relationship with God</p>	<p>Lesson 7 - <u>Spiritual Formation</u></p> <p>Our culture today and the importance of holiness Principles of purity Seven stages of spiritual growth</p> <p><i>Discipleship Training Module 3 and 4</i> Topics: Procedures for one on one discipleship. The Value of discipleship.</p>
<p>Lesson 3 - <u>Prayer</u></p> <p>Knowing God through prayer The Lord's Prayer Hindrances to prayer Sin after salvation</p>	<p>Lesson 8 - <u>Faith</u></p> <p>Trials and testing and the Heroes of the faith The Holy Spirit</p> <p><i>Discipleship Training Module 5 and 6</i> Topics: Before accepting a disciple. Getting started with your new disciple.</p>
<p>Lesson 4 - <u>Local Church</u></p> <p>Functions of the local church Responsibility to the church Purpose of Biblical leadership Dynamic role of women in the church Communion Importance of Baptism</p>	<p>Lesson 9 - <u>Words</u></p> <p>Problem solving with Christians Understanding false teachers Drawing people to Christ</p> <p><i>Discipleship Training Module 7</i> Topic: Your strategy in discipleship.</p>
<p>Lesson 5 - <u>Discipleship</u></p> <p>Steps of discipleship Cost of discipleship Commitment to discipleship Stewardship of our lives Giving and the disciple</p> <p><i>Discipleship Training Module 1</i> Topic: The definition of one on one discipleship</p>	<p>Lesson 10 - <u>Loving God</u></p> <p>How to Love God Our New Commandment</p>

Session 1

Review & Assignment

Discussion and Review Questions

1. Our definition of discipleship is multiplying evangelizing disciple makers. Please discuss together each of the words of that definition and the action it takes to make that a reality in our church.

Assignment

1. Lesson 1 Section A

Before the next training session, read every word in Section A Lesson One, writing the answers in the blanks in your copy of Journey. Be sure to look up every Bible verse. The answers are below or on the next page. Our goal is for us to be familiar with Lesson One before meeting with our disciple(s); (disciplers may have more than one disciple but meet them one on one at separate times.)

If a disciple asks us a question we don't know the answer to, we are to explain that we will prepare an answer for them or that the question will be answered in a coming lesson. (We must be familiar with Journey to know what are the upcoming subjects.)

We can't know the answer to every question we are asked, but we can study the Word of God and get answers for them. This is why we say that in using Journey for one on one discipleship, there are 2 disciplers and 2 disciples at the same time.

Let's make a list of any questions we have about the lesson or the Bible verses and bring them to our next meeting.

Links

www.TheJourneyForum.com

Additional resources and Bibles verse are available at www.TheJourneyForum.com in the "Journey Users" section.

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Answers to Lesson 1 Section A (from left to right)

God	created	existence	complete	pleasure	very good	good
holy	thinks	feels	personal	close	gods	personality
three	Father	Word	equally	forgiving	God	acts
thinks	feels	angels	Lucifer	rebelled	evil	darkness
gods	idols	wicked or evil	god	Tempter	Word	religion
ministers	deceiving	judges	sin	formed	body	image
choices	art	love	reproduce or increase	likeness	free	love
death	eternal	image	perfect	God	power	penalty
Satan	disobeys	disobeys	sinner	guilt	fellowship	sinner
we	personally	sinner	separated			

Discipler Training Session 2

Our Training Meeting schedule

1. Opening Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership
2. Study the following subjects:
 1. Review last meeting's assignment
 2. Understand the Steps of Discipleship
 3. A typical meeting with your disciple
 4. Review and Assignment
3. Closing Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership

Materials

- Training session materials
- Your Bible
- Copy of Journey discipleship lessons

Let's review last meeting's assignment

1. The assignment was to study Lesson 1 Section A.
2. Please check this box if you completed that assignment: Yes, Assignment Completed.
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Session 2

I. Understand the Steps of Discipleship in Journey

Navigating the journey of life to the right destinations is essential for our growth and maturity. We cannot be what God intended us to be by arriving at only a few of the destinations. We must remember that God desires that we mature and live complete in Christ.

Below are the steps that we want to take in Journey. Let's look up each Bible verse and read it.

Step #1 Become a **Believer** by trusting Jesus Christ as Savior from John 3:16.

Step #2 A disciple is in the **Word** of **God** every day from John 8:31.

Step #3 A disciple is in **prayer** to God every day from Luke 11:1.

Step #4 A disciple and discipler **meet together** every week from John 13:33-35.

Step #5 A disciple is faithful in a biblical **local church** from Ephesians 4:11-12

Step #6 A disciple is obedient to the Word of God and becomes a **disciple maker** from Luke 14:33.

Step #7 A discipler leads people to **Christ** and disciples them from John 15:8

Step #8 A discipler **multiplies** disciplers who multiply disciplers from John 15:16.

Session 2

2. A Typical Meeting with your disciple

Every meeting with our disciples is important and the effect on our lives and theirs will be lasting. Let's overview a typical meeting with a disciple. The procedures are simple but important:

1. Take time to talk and listen to your disciple at each meeting.
2. There are times you will not even open the lessons. But always encourage your disciple with the Word of God.
3. Do not assign or allow the disciple to complete the pages of the lessons ahead of time; on their own.
4. The lessons are to be taught by the discipler. The disciple may read the verses ahead but not work on the answers - this is important.
5. Never skip a Bible verse or a page in the lessons. If you need additional Bible verses for a particular topic, they are available in www.TheJourneyForum.com.
6. Do not add your own topics to the lessons.
7. When you start each lesson, read any introduction to them and review what you have already learned.
8. Have the disciple read the Bible verse(s) for each point and you read the comment, giving them the answer to fill in the blank. If you want to read some of the verses to your disciple for emphasis, that's fine.
9. In Lesson 2, you and your disciple will begin to do the Daily in the Word. This is reading-writing-saying sections from God's Word. Once this has begun, you will exchange your Daily in the Word notebooks (instructions for this are in the lessons) every time you meet together. The Daily in the Word is the record of our time in God's Word each day.
10. Explain the lesson to your disciple but also let them discover the truth personally.
11. Teach the meaning of each key word in the Bible verses that are studied in the lesson.
12. Do not go on to the next lesson until the disciple has been obedient to what is taught in that lesson.
13. Review what you have learned when it is time to stop.
14. Close with prayer; when they can, have your disciple close in prayer. Confirm your next appointment. Record your meeting in your records.

Remember...

...to pray for our disciple.

...how we disciple them will determine how they disciple.

...we are meeting and training them so they can win others to Christ and disciple them; that's why we must start at the beginning, never skip a page and go all the way to the last page, faithfully.

Session 2

Review & Assignment

Discussion and Review Questions

1. Let's look at the Steps of Discipleship and each comment on which one stands out to you the most.
2. Let's look at the overview of a typical meeting with a disciple and each of us comment on how Disciplers might take "short cuts" and what would be the consequences for doing so.

Assignment

1. Lesson 1 Section B

Before the next training session, read every word in Section B Lesson One, writing the answers in the blanks in your copy of Journey. Be sure to look up every Bible verse. The answers are below or on the next page. Our goal is for us to be familiar with Lesson One before meeting with our disciple(s); (disciplers may have more than one disciple but meet them one on one at separate times.)

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Let's make a list of any questions we have about the lesson or the Bible verses and bring them to our next meeting.

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Answers to Lesson 1 Section B (from left to right)

Savior	need	motives	God	Mary	today	ransom
love	escape	mediator	God	penalty	remain	sinner
good works	faith	believe	judgment	gift	choice	accept
heart	only	opportunity				

Discipler Training Session 3

Our Training Meeting schedule

1. Opening Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership
2. Study the following subjects:
 1. Review last meeting's assignment
 2. Know How to do the Daily in the Word - read by Discipler B
 3. Know Why to do the Daily in the Word - A
 4. Review and Assignment - read by Discipler B
3. Closing Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership

Materials

- Training session materials
- Your Bible
- Copy of Journey discipleship lessons

Let's review last meeting's assignment

1. The assignment was to study Lesson 1 Section B.
2. Please check this box if you completed that assignment: Yes, Assignment Completed.
3. Remember, after we take someone completely through Journey, we will better understand the design and purpose of each section in Journey. Each lesson builds upon the previous to produce an evangelizing, multiplying disciple maker.

Session 3

I. Know How to do the Daily in the Word

In Lesson 2 the Daily in the Word is assigned and both the disciple and the Discipler do this activity. Christ said that we must continue in His Word if we are to be His disciples. This activity is life changing. The disciple is assigned to write the book of 1st John and a schedule is found in Lesson 2 towards the end of the lesson.

Here are the procedures for the Daily in the Word:

1. Get alone and pray asking God to speak to you through His Word.
2. Find the section in the Bible assigned to you by your Discipler. Write the date and time at the top of the page of your Daily in the Word notebook.
3. Write the book, chapter and verse that you are starting to write on the next line in your notebook. Notice the words in the verses many times are divided by punctuation marks.
4. Now, read out loud the words up to the punctuation mark then write them on one line in your Daily in the Word notebook (and it's OK to say the words again as you write them).
5. Read the next part but write the words one line down in your notebook.
6. If you have a long verse that has no punctuation marks, divide it where you want to.
7. Write a minimum of 3 to 5 verses each day. Of course if you write more it's great.
8. Do this every day and you will each exchange your Daily in the Word with your discipled or Discipler the next time you meet. Over time, the Discipler may be writing in different parts of the Bible. After the disciple finishes the book of 1st John, they will be assigned the book of Mark.

Let's write 1st John 1:1 with this method below:

Session 3

2. Know Why to do the Daily in the Word

Read Deuteronomy 17:18-20. Look at the promises God made to the king over His people from writing the Word of God and following it: he would learn to fear the LORD his God, he would keep all the words of this law and these statutes, his heart is not lifted up in pride, he would turn not aside from the commandment. And, as a result, success!

I believe God has these promises for us also, if you will be Daily in the Word. Kings are busy: plans to make, people to conquer, people to rule, assassinations to avoid, rebellions, a queen to keep happy. Busy.

But God commands the King to hand write his own copy of God's Word. Why? God knows everyone is watching the King. He's the leader. He is to be a role model. The King's subjects will follow his example. And God wants everyone to do this.

Another answer to the question of "Why write God's Word" is that something happens when you write out God's Holy Scripture that you can experience no other way.

As you read the words you are about to write, then say the words as you write them, and sometimes you must glance back and forth to make sure you have the words letter-perfect, this slows you down to absorb and meditate on God's Word.

Keeping the words in your mind long enough to say them and write them, places the Word of God deeper in your heart.

Plus, there is the physical motion of writing. You are writing the Word of God, stroke-by-stroke, letter-by-letter, word-by-word, phrase-by-phrase, verse-by-verse. The very act of recording God's own words helps you see a truth you might miss.

This step is foundational and vital for our Christian life. If we are daily in the Word we will be obedient to Christ and mature spiritually to become, not just a believer, but a disciple of Jesus Christ.

As you continue in one on one discipleship, each lesson will help you to become His Disciple. So, here at the beginning, be faithful to do your Daily in the Word and you will be amazed at what God will do in your life.

Join a tradition that God has used...

Think about this, until the printing press was invented, the Bible was only hand written for centuries. We have the Bible today because Christians wrote God's Word.

Many, many Disciples involved in Daily in the Word have finished their own copy of God's Word. Some have seen their Bibles burned and banned and it means so much to them to write their own copy.

Perhaps you would like to carry on a tradition that God has used to preserve His Word and write your own copy of the Word of God.

Remember, you are not just writing words. You are writing The Word. You will see the Truth...say the Truth...hear the Truth ... remember the Truth and form the Truth in your heart as it flows from your pen onto paper.

Session 3

Review & Assignment

Discussion and Review Question

1. Let's discuss what it means if a disciple will not do the Daily in the Word.

Assignment

1. Daily in the Word

This week, once a day, read, write, and say three to five verses starting at 1st John chapter 1 and bring those pages to your next meeting.

2. Lesson 2

Before the next training session, read every word in Lesson Two, writing the answers in the blanks in your copy of Journey. Look up every Bible verse that you are not familiar with. The answers are below or on the next page. Our goal is for us to be familiar with Lesson Two before meeting with our disciple(s); (disciplers may have more than one disciple but meet them one on one at separate times.)

If a disciple asks us a question we don't know the answer to, we are to explain that we will prepare an answer for them or that the question will be answered in a coming lesson. (We must be familiar with Journey to know what are the upcoming subjects.)

We can't know the answer to every question we are asked, but we can study the Word of God and get answers for them. This is why we say that in using Journey for one on one discipleship, there are 2 disciplers and 2 disciples at the same time.

Let's make a list of any questions we have about the lesson or the Bible verses and bring them to our next meeting.

Answers to Lesson 2 (from left to right)

certain	sure	4,000	66	Old	New	Word	
God	men	author	never	every word	compare or study	letter	
away	preserve	true	idea	belief			
loves	have	will not	in no way cast me out or never push me away		forgiveness	peace	eternal life
saved	righteous	accepted	dwell		redemption	washed	book
life							
His Spirit	live	witnesses or testifies	witness or testimony	eternal	never	can	
separate							
Father	sons	daughters	lie	unfair			

Discipler Training Session 4

Our Training Meeting schedule

1. Opening Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership
2. Study the following subjects:
 1. Review last meeting's assignment
 2. Understand our Strategy for Journey
 3. Common Questions
 4. Review - read by Discipler
3. Closing Remarks or Message from our Church Leadership

Materials

- Training session materials
- Your Bible
- Copy of Journey discipleship lessons

Let's review last meeting's assignment

1. The first assignment was to study Lesson 2 Sections A and B.
2. Please check this box if you completed that assignment: Yes, Assignment Completed.
3. The second assignment was to read-write-say 1st John.
4. Please check this box if you completed that assignment: Yes, Assignment Completed.
5. Remember, after we take someone completely through Journey, we will better understand the design and purpose of each section in Journey. Each lesson builds upon the previous to produce an evangelizing, multiplying disciple maker.
6. Let's read Luke 14:33 before starting this training session and understand the great cost and great blessing it is to be a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Session 4

I. Understand our Strategy for Journey

Remember that we are building disciplers. And we must keep our strategy in mind:

1. We must disciple in such a way that when we are finished with a disciple they can go and disciple.
2. It's important that we are an example to our disciples.
3. Doing the Daily in the Word produces spiritual growth in our lives.
4. We must inform our church leadership of any unusual situations.
5. We must teach our disciples to become dependent on the Word of God and not just us.
6. We must explain the importance of the Word of God.
7. We must explain and require all assignments in the lessons.
8. We must pray with our disciples and pray for our disciples.
9. Our disciples will learn to lead by following us and learning from their mistakes...and ours.
10. There is accountability for us as disciplers also. In Journey, the disciple is encouraged to contact the church leaders if they think they have been taught something incorrect, or their discipler will not meet with them. We must understand that the power of multiplication is very great in the church and we must be careful to keep it as "pure" as possible.
11. Our disciples will disciple their disciple like we disciple.
12. We must bring our disciples to spiritual maturity.
13. We must master each lesson and know the Word of God.
14. We will not be spiritually strong unless we are faithful to the Word of God and to our disciples.
15. We must continue to lead people to faith in Christ and disciple them. Let's not forget that this is the reason for one on one discipleship with Journey.
16. Sometimes we will not even open the lessons but talk with our disciples about problems, difficulties, questions or something they wrote in their Daily in the Word.

17. We must get to know our disciples. We are not to meet together and just go over the lessons. Also, we cannot spend the entire time in fellowship. We must keep a balance.
18. In the first three or four meetings with our disciples, we want to take our disciple's spiritual pulse.
19. Our disciple should be able to open his/her heart to us.
20. Our disciples must be a main priority in our lives.
21. We must make every sacrifice needed for our disciples. We are a pattern for our disciples. We must give time for our disciples. And we must have a life worth following.
22. It's a good idea to take our disciples with us to some recreational activities. If we get through Journey and we do not have a bond with our disciples, that is not one on one discipleship.
23. Even though we become connected to our disciples, let's not forget the issue is obedience to Christ.
24. We must be patient. We are building a foundation that, if laid correctly, will produce disciplers that will multiply. It takes time to reproduce correctly.
25. And remember, we cannot be everything to our disciples. We must allow the Holy Spirit to lead and change us all.

Session 4

2. Common Questions

Let's answer some common questions by reading the question and then looking at the answer below.

1. What if my disciple is not doing their Daily in the Word?
 2. What do you do if they will not memorize Bible verses?
 3. What if the disciple will not be obedient to a teaching in the Word of God like in baptism?
 4. How long should it take to complete the Journey?
 5. What should you do if your disciple is in financial trouble?
 6. What about very mature disciples?
 7. What about unfaithful disciples?
 8. How do you know if you should stop meeting with a disciple?
 9. What is the earliest age to be discipled?
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1. Help them by writing it out and working on it at your weekly one on one Discipleship meetings together.
 2. Review the importance of God's Word. Practice memorizing Bible verses in your meetings with your disciple.
 3. Review the teaching. Review the Word of God. Do not go on to the next lesson. Ask them to meet with a leader of the church, but be careful to not offend the person; do everything with charity. Do not move ahead in the lessons but continue to meet together as long as you can.
 4. Lessons 1-5 are longer than 6-10. You should complete a new believer in 30 to 40 meetings. Many disciples can be trusted with their own disciple before they finish the last lesson. After lesson 5 or 6 you may see that your disciple is ready.
 5. It is not advisable to give them money. You must pray for great wisdom this area and ask your church leader for help.

6. If you detect your disciple is a very mature believer, go at a pace the Holy Spirit leads you to go at, but be careful. Some of your disciples will be mature enough that your one on one Discipleship is more training than discipling.

7. Don't expect your disciple to change overnight in some areas. But with some disciples, you may need to take some time off until they are faithful. Remember, your goal is not to finish, but to reproduce a discipler.

Do not be afraid to challenge your disciple. Help your disciple when they are struggling. When they know you care, they will be more responsive.

Remember in one on one Discipleship sometimes there are stopping points and sometimes you are a successful discipler when you do not finish a disciple who is unfaithful.

If you stop meeting an unfaithful disciple in a loving way, it leaves an open door for them to continue at some point in time. Be ready for drop-out disciples to come back in the future.

It is not always your fault but when you have done your best and your disciple chooses not to continue, ask yourself "How can I learn from this to keep it from happening again?"

8. You will know it is not the right time for your disciple if they will not do the Daily in the Word or will not meet with you faithfully.

Unfaithful disciples normally disconnect themselves. Do everything you can to help them but focus your time on faithful disciples. Do everything in a loving way.

9. Depending on the individual, 18 years old because the goal is spiritual multiplication.

Session 4

Review & Assignment

Discussion and Review Questions

1. Let's each discuss a thought that we considered important from the topics we've learned.

Assignment

1. Daily in the Word

Continue reading-writing-saying the book of 1st John until you complete it. When you complete 1st John begin this Daily in the Word procedure for the Gospel of Mark. Our disciples will have these same assignments.

2. Remember

We can't know the answer to every question we are asked, but we can study the Word of God and get answers for them. This is why we say that in using Journey for one on one discipleship, there are 2 disciplers and 2 disciples at the same time.

Our next training meeting will be announced by our Church Leadership.

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First Material

Overview

I. Understand our Strategy for Journey

Remember that we are building disciplers. And we must keep our strategy in mind:

Think in terms of how many Disciple Makers you want to have by next year. Here are wrong ways to disciple in your church, failure is assured:

1. Discipleship is done in a group instead of one on one.
2. Discipleship is not in the Church Schedule.
3. Discipleship has a small part in the church schedule.
4. Using Journey as Sunday school lessons, sermons or for any other purpose than discipleship.

Start discipling personally

Know How to Use the Lessons:

Count the Cost

Communicate your burden – Preach and teach on one on one discipleship

Place one on one discipleship officially in your church schedule

Present the Commitment Card to your Congregation for several weeks enlisting participants.

Continually appeal for people to join one on one discipleship in your printed church materials and church services.

Make the appeal a part of your Invitation in your church services.

Begin training your first disciplers

One on One Discipleship Commitment

- with training I am making myself available to be a disciple maker.
- I am ready to be disciplined. Please contact me to get started.

male female Age: _____ Name:

Phone:

Email:

I want to learn more about discipleship - I'll commit to Lesson One

Begin training your first disciplers

Use the Training plan on the following pages. The Trainee and Trainer handouts are at the end of this document for each training subject.

The spiritual formation of disciples works when it is the personality of the church and not a program.

(this page read by Discipler A)**Training Meeting #1**

Begin deciding who is going to meet with who and make final decisions about child care and the meeting time. It's best, at the beginning, to have all meet at the same time and place, one on one of course. Then after everything is going smoothly, after 3 or 4 weeks, let them meet at other times. But require records to be kept and turned in.

Meeting #2

Have them to practice Lesson 1 on each other now in the class. Be prepared to assign the Disciplers and Disciples for next week.

Begin informing who is going to meet with who and that they will begin next week.

Meeting #3

Explain your record keeping procedures – sample forms are at the end of this document.

Assign them to study Lesson 4 for next week.

This week: Assign the disciples to your disciplers

Set a time and place for discipleship to begin.

Ask for a commitment from the disciples and disciplers.

Assign a disciple to them or help them in selecting their disciples.

Some Disciplers can handle more than one disciple, but they meet each one on one at separate times.

The church leadership must approve all discipler and disciple assignments.

Start your disciplers meeting with their disciples

Explain that when each lesson is completed the disciple must be faithful to go on to the next lesson.

At first, have all disciples at the same time at the church for the first month.

After everything is going smoothly allow them to meet at other times and, or other places.

Encourage your disciplers to meet any time and any where one on one.

Encourage your disciplers to come and disciple at the church at any time.

Require records to be kept. Each discipler keeps a personal record. Each discipler keeps a public record.

Meeting #4

Answer questions and solve problems at each meeting.

Meeting #5

Check their Daily in the Word.

Teach through Lesson 5 in detail answering any questions.

Note this procedure: When disciples finish any lesson, recognize them publicly, but especially recognize them when they finish Lesson 5 and 10 and award a certificate to the discipler and disciple.

Expect reassignments:

Explain that the disciple must be doing what is called for in each lesson to be allowed to go to the next lesson.

You will find out who is serious and ready quickly.

There are two ways we usually know if disciplers and disciples are ready for discipleship: they will meet together every week and they will do their Daily in the Word.

Some will not be serious. Some disciples will drop out. Some disciplers will drop out. But there are those who are just waiting to get started.

When a lesson is finished:

The questions must be completed (this is in the lesson).

Complete and check any evaluation in the lesson or that your church might have.

The church leadership is to carefully review the disciple's evaluation.

It's better if the the church leadership must approve the disciple to go on to the next lesson.

Meeting #6

Check their Daily in the Word.

Teach through Lesson 6.

Explain the Daily in the Word assignment in the lesson.

Teach "9. How to be a Better Teacher."

Assign them to study Lesson 7 for next week.

Meeting #7

Check their Daily in the Word.

Teach through Lesson 7.

Explain the Daily in the Word assignment in the lesson.

Teach "10. A Disciplers Primary Roles."

Assign them to study Lesson 8 for the next meeting.

Meeting #8

Check their Daily in the Word.

Teach through Lesson 8.

Explain the Daily in the Word assignment in the lesson.

Teach “11. Your Strategy in your one on one Discipleship.”

Assign them to study Lesson 9 for the next meeting.

When a lesson is completed...

The questions must be completed.

The evaluation must be completed if there are any for the lesson.

Monitor the progress of each discipler by watching how fast or how slow they are progressing.

Lessons 1 through 5 should take 4 to 6 meetings for each lesson.

Lessons 6 to 10 should take 4 meetings for each lesson on the average.

There are exceptions and remember to customize the time and meetings for the individual needs of the disciple.

The goal is to multiply disciplers not just complete lessons. The church leadership is to carefully review the records.

Meeting #9

Check their Daily in the Word.

Teach Lesson 9.

Explain the Daily in the Word assignment in the lesson.

Teach “12. What is the Value of one on one Discipleship.”

Assign them to study Lesson 10 for the next meeting.

Meeting #10

Check their Daily in the Word.

Teach Lesson 10.

Note this Important procedure: When disciples finish Lesson 10, they are not graduated until they have their own disciple. When they are eligible to graduate, publicly recognize and award a certificate to the discipler and disciple.

The Next Six Months

Begin to schedule every month:

Church fellowships for those involved in Discipleship.

A time for you to speak to the disciplers with their disciples.

Fellowships for the disciplers and their disciples to have fellowship together.

Plan for Year-round Education, Exposure and Experience: Plan ways to integrate one on one discipleship education, exposure and experience into the life of the church.

Begin to speak about the importance of having a church purpose/mission statement that reflects your local/global passion for making disciples. Either create a purpose statement or review/revise your current statement.

Challenge the entire congregation with a global vision to multiply Disciple Makers.

Ask for commitments regularly to become a Disciple Maker or a Disciple. It takes time to see the results of one on one discipleship. Be patient and the results will come.

Begin consideration of the church budget and staff needed for Discipleship. Should you hire full-time Soul Winning Disciple Makers.

Schedule follow-up Discipleship Workshops every 6 months.

Develop banners, bulletin inserts, and other public messages to be placed around the church.

Schedule testimonies from Disciplers and Disciples in the church services.

Schedule outreach events to gain disciples for your Disciplers.

Schedule Special Events

“Catch-up” Weeks and Weekends after vacations and holidays.

Discipleship Camps

Discipleship Retreats

Discipleship Workshops

Discipleship Training of other Churches in other cities and countries.

The next Levels of Discipleship begin when...

Disciples are becoming Disciplers every month then every week then every day,

Disciplers want to do more in the ministry,

New congregations need to start, etc.

Additional strategies are explained as those levels are achieved.

Some hindrances to Discipleship:

Not keeping it the focus of your ministry,

Disciplers not properly trained,

Lack of accountability,

Not teaching the Word God,

Traditions of men.

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