PRINCIPLES OF DISCIPLESHIP

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, Io, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." - Matthew 28:18-20 KJV "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," - Matthew 28:19 NIV

The Bible uses the word "disciples" _____, it uses the word "Christian" _____!

Jesus hasn't merely called us to be Christians, he has called us to be disciples. Are you a Christian, or are you a disciple?

"And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." - Genesis 1:28 KJV

"And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." - 2 Timothy 2:2 KJV

God is a Generational God!

"And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to **Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob." - Genesis 50:24 KJV**

"And the Lord said unto Jehu, ... thy children of the **fourth gener**ation shall sit on the throne of Israel." - 2 Kings 10:30 KJV

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in **Jerusalem**, and in all **Judaea**, and in **Samaria**, and unto the **uttermost part** of the earth." - Acts 1:8 KJV

"EVERYTHING GOD MADE REPRODUCES." - Dawson Trotman

Three reasons we don't reproduce:

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The miracle of exponential growth.

The exponential growth of the early church in the book of Acts can bee seen in:

Twelve disciples, people in the upper room in Acts 1:13-15.

were baptized and became followers of Jesus in Acts 2:41.

Many who heard the message believed, and the number of men grew to about______ in Acts 4:4.

"...more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were added to their number." - Acts 5:14 NIV

"And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;" - Acts 17:6 KJV

The best estimates are that by 350 AD, of the ______ in the Western world were followers of Jesus!

Three aspects of discipleship:

- 1. The of _____ making disciples.
- 2. The of _____ making disciples.
- 3. The of _____ making disciples.

1. Discipleship is our _____.

Question: Why did Jesus come to Earth? What was His mission?

His mission included two things:

"My food,' said Jesus, 'is to <u>do the will</u> of him who sent me and to <u>finish his work</u>.'" - John 4:34 NIV

1. THE______- to seek and save the lost.

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." - 2 Peter 3:9 KJV

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." - Luke 19:10 NIV

"For God so loved the world that he gave..." - John 3:16 NIV

2. AND THE ______ - to make and multiply disciples.

"I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do." - John 17:4 NIV

"Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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.'" - Acts 28:19-20 NIV

2. Jesus is our_____.

"The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher." - Luke 6:40 NIV

"He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked." - 1 John 2:6 KJV

"Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did."

- 1 John 2:6 NIV

The biblical model of discipleship included following a Rabbi. Jesus was considered a Rabbi.

"Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and saith unto them, What seek ye? They said unto him, Rabbi, (which is to say, being interpreted, Master,) where dwellest thou?" - John 1:38 KJV "Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel." - John 1:49 KJV "But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren." - Matthew 23:8 KJV

Four expectations of a disciple:



Question: What do you think it means to walk as Jesus walked? Do you believe that it is even possible?

NEVER LESS THAN GOD, HE CHOSE TO LIVE HIS LIFE, NEVER MORE THAN MAN. –Ryrie HIS DEITY WAS UNEXPRESSED, SO THAT HIS HUMANITY COULD BE FULLY EXPRESSED. –Ware JESUS REFUSED TO RELY UPON HIS DIVINE NATURE TO MAKE OBEDIENCE EASIER FOR HIM. –Wayne Grudem

Jesus did what he did as a man! The same tools that are available to us today: Prayer, the Word of God, and the Holy Spirit!

PRAYER:

"And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone." - Matthew 14:23 KJV

"And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." - Luke 6:12 KJV

"And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray." - Luke 9:28 KJV

How to pray:

"And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." - Luke 11:1 KJV

"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." - Hebrews 11:6 KJV

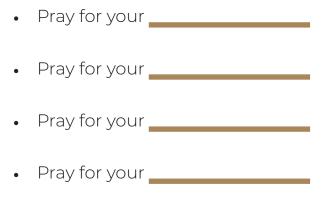
"But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord." - James 1:6-7 KJV

"... men ought always to pray, and not to faint;" - Luke 18:1 KJV "Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves; For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth. And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." - Luke 11:5-9

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it." - John 14:13-14 KJV

"And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:" - 1 John 5:14 KJV

DAVID YONGGI CHO'S PRAYER MODEL*:



Pray for your

THE WORD:

"And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God." - Luke 4:4 KJV "And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written... For it is written... And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said," - Luke 4:8, 10, 12 KJV

* Pastor David Yonggi Cho also prays through the alphabet.

THE DISCOVERY BIBLE METHOD

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For other methods of studying and memorizing the Bible, research the L.O.O.P.S. Group Bible study method and the Topical Memory System.

THE SPIRIT:			
Jesus was	of the Spirit. Luke 4:1		
He was	by the Spirit. Luke 4:1		
Returned in the	of the Spirit. Luke 4:14		
And	of the Spirit! Luke 4:18		
"And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness," - Luke 4:1 KJV *			
"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father." - Luke 14:12 KJV			
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7 *See Luke 4:14,18			

2. Jesus method should be our

Jesus method of discipleship was relational, intentional, and missional.

(Jesus spent time with His disciples.)

"Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him." - Mark 3:13 NIV

"I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you." - John 15:15 NIV

Consider this: The priority Jesus placed on relationships in the sermon on the mount.

(John 15:1-8)

JESUS GAVE FOUR INVITATIONS:



Some see this likened unto four stations in our spiritual life, or four chairs.

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"As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world". - John 17:18 NIV

"...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." - Acts 1:8 NIV "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." - Matthew 4:19 KJV

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