

Four Aspects of Making Disciples

(continued)

Aspect #4: Building

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IV. Building

Building means making a permanent difference which will produce a life-long lifestyle.

A. Paul speaks to Timothy's character - I Timothy 4:12-16 (KJV):

Vs. 12: "Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."

Vs. 13: "Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine."

Vs. 14: "Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery."

Vs.15: "Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them that thy profiting may appear to all."

Vs. 16: "Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine; continue in them; for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee."

1. Character is not a matter of age.

Job 32:8,9 (LB): "But it is not mere age that makes men wise, rather, it is the spirit in a man; the breath of the Almighty which makes him intelligent."

Character in a godly life must be developed.

Colossians 1:6 (Phillips): "This is the gospel itself, which has reached you as it spreads all over the world. Wherever that Gospel goes, it produces Christian character, and develops it, as it has done in your own case from the time you first heard and realised the truth of God's grace."

Titus 1:1, 2 (LB): "I have been sent to bring faith to those God has chosen and to teach them to know God's truth - the kind of truth that changes lives - so that they can have eternal life, which God promised them before the world began-and He cannot lie."

2. How we talk is a dead giveaway (I Timothy 4:12).

3. Character expresses itself in conduct (I Timothy 4:12).

I Thessalonians 4:7 (KJV) : “For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.”

I Peter 1:15, 16 (KJV): “But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation. Because it is written, Be ye holy, for I am holy.”

4. A godly character has godly attributes (I Timothy 4:12).

5. Godly character needs to be fed (I Timothy 4:13).

6. Character is developed along the lines of spiritual gifts (I Timothy 4:14).

a. Everyone has at least one spiritual gift.

Hebrews 2:4 (LB): “God always has shown us that these messages are true by signs and wonders and various miracles and by giving certain special abilities from the Holy Spirit to those who believe. Yes, God has assigned such gifts to each of us.”

I Corinthians 12:7 (KJV) : “But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit with all.”

b. No one has all the gifts.

I Corinthians 12:28-30 (KJV): “And God hath set some in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? Have all the gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?”

c. How to help a man discover his gifts:

1. What does he like to do?
2. What does he do well?
3. How do others see him?

7. Wholeheartedness is a mark of godly character (I Timothy 4:16).

8. Godly character must be protected (I Timothy 4:16).

Matthew 26:41 (KJV) : “Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

I Corinthians 16:13 (KJV): “Watch, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.”

9. The root from which godly character springs is the thought life (I Timothy 4:16).

Proverbs 4:23 (KJV) : “Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.”

Proverbs 4:23 (Williams): “Be careful how you think. Your life is shaped by your thoughts.”

Ephesians 4:23, 24 (KJV):”And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.”

Romans 12:2 (KJV): “And be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of

God.”

10. Godly character takes daily choices (I Timothy 4:16).

Luke 9:23 (KJV): “And He said to them all, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.

B. We never know if building is real until they are away from us.

C. Building usually takes time, exposure, and sensitivity.

D. Building begins with clearing away the debris.

Jeremiah 1:10 (KJV): “See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms to root out and to pull down and to destroy and to throw down, to build and to plant.

1. Root out-bitterness, hostility, fear.

Hebrews 12:15 (KJV): “Looking diligently lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and by it many be defiled.”

2. Pull down-idols.

Hosea 10:2 (KJV): “Their heart is divided; now shall they be found faulty. He shall break down their altars, He shall spoil their images.”

3. Destroy-bad responses.

Philippians 4:11 (20th Century New Testament).

4. Throw down-ungodly imaginations.

II Corinthians 10:3-5 (KJV): “For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds), Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.”

Proverbs 23:7 (KJV): “As a man thinketh in his heart so is he.”

E. Clearing away debris involves rebuke.

Ezekiel 3:20 (LB): “And if a good man becomes bad, and you refuse to warn him of the consequences, and the Lord destroys him, the previous good deeds won’t help him-He shall die in his sin. But I will hold you responsible for his death, and punish you.”

Rebuke is only viable when the relationship is solid. The person must know that you love him, and that you’re pointing out problems not to be critical but to be helpful.

Proverbs 28:23 (KJV) : “He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favor than he that flattereth with the tongue.”

1. II Timothy 4:2 (KJV) : “Preach the Word, be instant in season and out of season. Reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.”

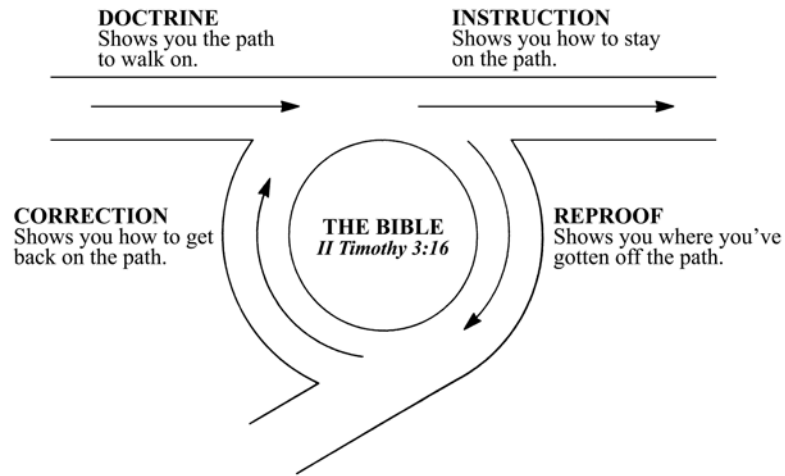
a. Reprove. To expose something in his life, and for him to develop conviction over it as sin.

b. Rebuke-to “Bawl him out” for getting in such a shape or situation.

c. Exhort-this is always connected with the future, not the past, and is designed to help correct the problem. Exhortation aims at producing the right effect in changing a life.

d. The scripture is adequate in doing all of these things.

II Timothy 3:16 (KJV): “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.”



2. Five principles of rebuke.

There always needs to be a proper balance between love and rebuke.

a. If you love a man, you will rebuke him. But it is a two-way street. He must be committed to you, but you must commit yourself to him.

b. Find out why he isn't doing it. Basically, there are two reasons.

1. Rebellion.

2. He doesn't see it.

c. Rebuke on the basis of impression, not accusation.

d. Have his best interests at heart.

e. Always rebuke from the Word of God.

F. Planning new structure is also a part of building.

Three helpful questions to ask yourself:

1. What does he need?
2. How can he get it?
3. How will I know when he has it?

G. Every man is different.

We must determine who he is, and where he is before we can help him.

I Thessalonians 5:11-14 (KJV): “Wherefore, comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do. And we beseech you, brethren, to know them who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you. And to esteem them very highly in love for their work’s sake. And be at peace among yourselves. Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feeble-minded, support the weak, be patient toward all men.”

1. Who are spiritual leaders (I Thessalonians 5:12, 13)?

- a. Those who labor among you.
- b. Those who are over you in the Lord.
- c. Those who admonish you.

2. How to treat different men (I Thessalonians 5:14).

- a. The idle-admonish. Those who are lazy, unruly.

I Samuel 15:23 (KJV): “For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry . . .”

- b. The fainthearted or timid-encourage.
- c. The weak-help them.
- d. Be patient with all men.

H. Building can be specific.

Men need help in:

1. Making decisions.

I Kings 18:21 (KJV): “And Elijah came unto all the people and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow Him. But if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word.”

God expects our “yes” to be “yes” and our “no” to be “no”.

II Corinthians 1:17, 18 (LB): “Then why, you may be asking, did I change my plan? Hadn’t I really made up my mind yet? Or am I really like a man of the world who says ‘yes’ when he really means ‘no’? Never! As surely as God is true, I am not that sort of person. My ‘yes’ means ‘yes’.

a. Life is made up of choices.

b. Indecisiveness may reveal

1. Immaturity.

Proverbs 17:24 (Williams): “A mature man knows the wise thing to do, but an immature person can never decide.”

2. A lack of facts.

3. A fear of consequences or people.

II Timothy 1:7 (KJV): “For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.”

4. Lack of convictions.

Colossians 2:8 (KJV) : “Beware, lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit after the tradition of man, after the rudiments of the world and not after Christ.”

Ephesians 4:14 (KJV) : “That we henceforth be no more children tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine by the slight of men and cunning craftiness whereby they lie and wait to deceive.”

5. A lack of faith.

Romans 14:23 (KJV): “And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith; for whatever is not of faith is sin.”

c. Four helpful thoughts when indecisive:

1. God wants me to know His will.
2. Do I know it? If so, I should trust Him and act on it.
3. Am I trying to find it out? If not, I am kidding myself.
4. Have I found it out? If so, get busy and trust Him.

d. Six insights toward decisiveness:

1. Get the facts.

Proverbs 23:23 (LB): “Get the facts at any price, and hold on tightly to all the good sense you can get.”

2. Face the facts.

Proverbs 14:8 (LB): “The wise man looks ahead. The fool attempts to fool himself and won’t face facts.”

3. Plan ahead.

Proverbs 16:9 (LB): “We should make plans-counting on God to direct us.”

Proverbs 11:14 (NEB): “For want of skillful strategy, an army is lost. Victory is the fruit of long planning.”

4. Think through.

Proverbs 22:3 (LB): “A prudent man

foresees the difficulties ahead, and prepares for them. The simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences.”

Proverbs 14:15 (Berkeley): “The simple believes every word, but the man of insight makes sure of where he is going.”

5. Make a decision.

I Corinthians 14:8 (KJV) : “For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?”

6. Do it now.

Get the facts NOW. Face the facts NOW. Plan ahead NOW. Think through NOW. Make a decision NOW. Do it NOW.

2. A positive outlook

Philippians 4:18 (KJV): “Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.”

3. Persistence.

4. Relating to business associates.

5. Relating to the church.

In building, your own life is the greatest tool.

I. Marks of the Spiritual Man

1. The desire to be holy rather than happy.

I Thessalonians 4:3 (F.F. Bruce Paraphrase)

2. The desire to see the honor of God advance through his life, even if it means he himself must suffer temporary dishonor or loss.

I Corinthians 10:31 (KJV): “Whether, therefore, ye eat, or drink, or whatever ye do, do all to the glory of God.”

3. The desire to carry his cross.

John 16:33 (KJV): “These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.”

II Timothy 3:12 (KJV): “Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.”

4. He sees everything from God’s point of view.

Colossians 1:9, 10 (Phillips): “We are asking God that you may be filled with such wisdom and that you may understand His purpose. We also pray that your outward lives, which men see, may bring credit to your master’s name, and that you may bring joy to his heart by bearing genuine Christian fruit in all that you do, and that your knowledge of God may grow yet deeper.”

5. He would rather die right, than live wrong.

Daniel 3:16, 17 (KJV): “Shadrack, Meshach, and Abednego answered and said to the king, Oh Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, oh King, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.”

6. A willingness to see others advance at his expense.

7. This man habitually makes eternity judgments instead of time judgments.

Hebrews 11:26 (Phillips): “He considered the ‘reproach of Christ’ more precious than all the wealth of Egypt. For he looked steadily at the ultimate reward.”

J. Possible Problems in this Type of Ministry

1. Never turning a man loose.
2. Not trusting them or trusting God in them.
3. Trying to help too many at once.
4. Impatience.
5. Trying to copy others.
6. Being hard-nosed. (Always love a man and never give up on him.)
7. Operating on past experience and training instead of on prayer and faith.
8. Trying to pour everyone into the same mold.

Basic Follow-Up Outline

The twenty-three principles listed below are certainly not exhaustive. Neither are they placed in the absolute order of importance in a Christian's life. However, they are, I believe, indicative of the direction that God would have us go. You will find listed the principle and then resources which may be of help in implementing or teaching the principle. The resources may be questions, project assignments, scriptures, audios, books, or pamphlets. All of the audios and videos listed as resources are available online at www.DiscipleshipLibrary.com and are also available on cassette from the Discipleship Tape Library, 435 West Boyd, Norman, Oklahoma 73069, on a free-loan basis (*you pay only postage and handling*).

1. Assurance of Salvation. The following scriptures will help in the area of believing and receiving: John 20: 28-31; 3:16; 3:36; 5:24; 6:37-40; 11:25,26; 1:12.

The following will help regarding assurance: Romans 8:38,39; I John 5:11-13; Jude 24,25; I Peter 1:3-5.

- A resource audio: *Assurance* by Kenneth Chafin
- A helpful booklet: *Fact, Faith, and Feeling* by Billy Graham.

2. The Devotional Life. Psalm 27:7,8; 143:8; 5:3; 63:1,2; Mark 1:35; Luke 6:12,13, Proverbs 8:34 (LB).

- Audios available: *Quiet Time* by Gene Warr
- Booklets available: *Quiet Time* by Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship; *Manna in the Morning* by Stephen Olford; *My Heart - Christ's Home* by Robert Boyd Munger.

3. The Authority of the Bible. II Timothy 3:14-17; Hebrews 4:12; Jeremiah 23:29; 22:5.

A. Read Psalm 119 and list what the Word can do for you and what you are to do with the Word of God.

B. What is the Word of God from these verses: Ephesians 6:17; John 12:48; 17:17; Luke 21:33; John 6:63, Luke 8:11; Isaiah 55:11?

C. From the following verses, summarize the value of the Word of God in a believer's life: Matthew 4:4; Isaiah 55:11; Hebrews 4:12; Psalm 119:105; John 5:39, II Timothy 3:4-17; Psalm 119:9,11; Numbers 15:39; John 15:3; I Peter 2:2.

D. From II Timothy 3:16, identify and define each thing the Word is profitable for.

- Audios available: Authority and Sufficiency of the Word by Lorne Sanny; The Word of God by Max Barnett; The Authority of the Scriptures by Jack Mayhall; Why the Bible? by Gene Warr.
- Available books: Evidence That Demands a Verdict by Josh McDowell; The Authority of the Bible by John Stott.

4. How to Take in the Word of God (*The Hand Illustration*). This has to do with hearing, reading, studying, memorizing, and meditating on the Word of God, as well as applying it to our daily lives, and passing it on to others.

- Audios are also available from the Discipleship Library on the Hand Illustration given by a number of great teachers.

5. The Balanced Christian Life (The Wheel Illustration). The Wheel has Jesus Christ at the center. The rim of the wheel represents the obedient Christian living the life. The four spokes of the wheel are the Word of God, prayer, fellowship, and witnessing.

- Audios available: The Christ-centered Life by Larry Woods; The Wheel by Gene Warr.

6. How to Pray.

A. List the principles of prayer from the prayer life of Jesus in the Gospels and write a personal "When I need to pray" application for each principle.

B. As you read through the Psalms, keep a list of when David cried to God and why. Then categorize the reasons and write a personal application for each category.

C. Read the first chapter of Paul's letters, plus Ephesians 3. List all the specific things Paul prayed for believers. Beside each specific prayer request put the name of a believer. Pray for that particular person during the coming week.

D. Memorize and meditate on I John 5:14,15.

E. Set up a time each week to pray with another Christian.

- Audios available: Prayer by Jim Peterson; Prayer by Peter Lord; What Is Intercessory Prayer and How to Pray for the Lost? by Barry Wood; Prayer by Larry Woods; Prayer by George Sanchez.
- Books and booklets available: Ministry of Intercession by Andrew Murray; Praying Hyde by Francis McGaw; George Mueller of Bristol by Arthur T. Pierson; Power through Prayer by E. M. Bounds; Rheer Howell, Intercessor by Norman Grubb; How to Spend a Day in Prayer by Lorne Sanny; With Christ in the School of Prayer by Andrew Murray; Prayer: Conversing with God by Rosalind Rinker.

7. How to Meditate on Scripture.

- Audios available: Meditation by Bill Gothard; Control of Our Thoughts by Stephen Olford.
- Books available: Primer of Meditation by Jim Downing.

8. Financial Responsibility. The four basic areas of financial responsibility are earning,, saving, spending and giving money. Matthew 6:19,20.

- Audios available: Financial Responsibility by Gene Warr; Work by Max Barnett.
- Books available: You Can Be Financially Free by George Fooshee; God's Miraculous Plan of Economy by Jack Taylor.

For a study on giving, the following will be helpful:

A. From II Corinthians 8 & 9, Philippians 4:10-20, and Luke 6:38 list the principles of giving.

B. From Galatians 6:6 and II Corinthians 9:6-15 list at least five areas where we should give.

C. List how we are to give from these verses: Deuteronomy 16:17; Deuteronomy 8:18; II Corinthians 9:7-14; Matthew 10:8; Proverbs 3:9,10; I Corinthians 16:2.

D. List the characteristics and consequences of Ananias's and Sapphira's giving program in Acts 5:1-10.

9. How to Resist Satan. James 4:7-8; Ephesians 6:10-20.

A. From Genesis 3:1-6, list the steps Satan used in tempting Eve.

B. From James 1:13-15, who tempts us? List the steps we follow in surrendering to temptation.

C. From I John 2:15-17, what areas does Satan appeal to in tempting us? Define each area. Correlate each area from I John 2:15-17 with Jesus' temptation in Matthew 4:1-10.

D. Read Matthew 4:1-10. List how Jesus dealt with temptation and list two areas in which you face temptations.

E. Meditate on James 4:7,8; I Corinthians 10:13; Hebrews 12:3,4; Revelation 12:11.

- Audios available: James I by Peter Lord; Drives by Peter Lord; Conflict with Sin and Trials and Temptation by Larry Woods.

10. How to Walk in the Spirit. Galatians 5:16,17.

A. Study the following Scripture passages to prepare yourself for walking in the Spirit.

- 1) What does God command in this area? See I Thessalonians 4:4.
- 2) What should I know about Satan's attack in this area? See I Corinthians 10:13.
- 3) What can I do in regard to my will to walk in the Spirit? Job 31:1.
- 4) What main defensive weapon can I use? I Timothy 6:17.
- 5) What principles do we find on walking in the Spirit from David's prayer for purity? Psalm 119:35-37. f. How does associating with godly people help me to walk in the Spirit? Proverbs 27:17; 13:20.
- 6) How can I avoid some of Satan's traps? Proverbs 4:25-27.

B. In studying how to stand fast in the trial of fire which would tempt us to walk in the flesh:

- 1) Who did Christ immediately identify with when the adulterous woman walked up? John 8:6-10.
- 2) When possible, what is better than fighting temptation? II Timothy 2:22; Genesis 39:12.
- 3) What weapon did Christ use in temptation? Matthew 4:3-11.

C. From the following verses, give reasons for walking in the Spirit and living a holy life: Psalm 24:3-4, I Peter 1:22.

- Audios available: Purpose by Peter Lord; The Kind of a Woman God Wants by Leila Sparks; Knowing God (Tape 1, 2, and 3) by Peter Lord; The Perfect Heart by Diane Sargent; Becoming a Whole Person by Tom Nesbitt; and The Tabernacle (Audios 1-7) by Paul Burleson.
- Books Available: Called unto Holiness by Ruth Paxson; and Joni by Joni Eareckson.
- Also available is Transferable Concept #4 from Campus Crusade for Christ.

11. How to Experience God's Love and Forgiveness (*and your own self-acceptance*). I John 1:9; Luke 7:47.

A. From Exodus 20:1-17, James 4:17-23, Romans 14:21-23, define sin.

B. From the following verses, list the consequences of unconfessed sin and the results of confessing sin: Psalm 51; 79:9; Luke 7:47; Psalm 24:3-5; 66:18; John 15:7; Romans 4:7,8; II Chronicles 16:9; Hebrews 10:2; 10:17,18; II Corinthians 5:15; Isaiah 59:1,2; I Kings 8:33,34; Psalm 32:1,2; 130:4; Colossians 2:13,14; Romans 6:10-14; Romans 6:10-12; I John 3:6; II Corinthians 6:16.

C. From the following verses, list how one gains God's forgiveness: Acts 10:43; Mark 2:5; Matthew 26:28; John 6:53-55; Psalm 19:12; 139:23,24; 51:3,4; Genesis 39:9; I John 1:9; Psalm 32:5; Proverbs 28:13; Psalm 51:1; Mark 2:7; Lamentations 3:22,23; Psalm 78:38; II Chronicles 7:14; Psalm 51:10; II Chronicles 7:8-10; Matthew 6:14,15, and Luke 6:37.

D. Visualize Micah 7:19 and Psalm 103:12 when confessing sin. Then visualize the blood of Jesus from the cross cleansing you as you confess your sin. Right down insights you gain during this time.

- Audios available: Forgiveness by Larry Christenson; and Conflicts with Sin by Larry Woods.

Forgiveness and self-acceptance are inevitably tied together. The following may be of help in the area of self-acceptance:

A. Study Psalm 139 for insights into why you can accept yourself.

B. From the following verses, answer the question, "Who am I?" Psalm 139:13-16; John 1:12; Romans 8:16,17; II Corinthians 5:17; I Peter 2:9; II Corinthians 5:20.

C. From Isaiah 43:1-10, list "What God thinks of me."

D. Meditate on Romans 12:3 and from the following verses, write down why it is not wrong to love or accept yourself: Matthew 22:39; Leviticus 19:18; Mark 12:31; Romans 13:9,10; Galatians 5:14; and James 2:8.

E. Write down the names of people who have verbally told you, "I love you." Write down the names of people who have shown love to you and what the act of love was.

- Books available: Please Don't Hurt Me by Leonard Keene; Please Love Me by Keith Miller.

12. Living by Faith. I Timothy 1:5; Romans 14:23; Hebrews 11:6.

A. Read Matthew 8:8,9 and 21:21. Underline the word faith wherever it appears. Why did Jesus perform these miracles? How can this increase our faith today?

B. Read Romans 4 and Genesis 12-22.

- 1) On what was Abraham's faith based?
- 2) Did he ever doubt?
- 3) In what ways did he walk by sight? d. How did his faith grow?

C. List the things we depend upon God for by faith from these verses: John 3:16; Galatians 2:16; John 7:38, John 14:1; Ephesians 3:12-17; Acts 16:31; Galatians 2:20.

D. Read Proverbs 3:5,6.

- 1) Define the meaning of all the verbs in these verses.
- 2) Write out those verses using first person singular.
- 3) What does "with all your heart" mean to you?
- 4) Why can you trust God with all your heart?
- 5) List areas of your life where you haven't been trusting God and how you can acknowledge Him in those areas,
- 6) How can you help a new Christian develop faith in God?

E. Read Hebrews 11:1-31 and list how each person demonstrated faith. Read Hebrews 11:32-40 and list how each person demonstrated faith.

F. Matthew 6:25-33.

- 1) What does God promise He will provide? b. What are we to seek?
- 2) What is His kingdom?
- 3) What is His righteousness?
- 4) What steps can we take to trust Him more for what He's promised to provide?
- 5) What can we do to seek His kingdom and righteousness?

G. From the following verses, how are we to grow in faith? Hebrews 11:6; Luke 7:1-10; Romans 10:17.

H. From James 2:14-26, define in detail the relationship between faith and works.

- Audios available: Faith by Ruth Myers; How God Provided Finances for Our New Building by Hal Brooks; Giving by Russ Johnston.
- Books available: They Found the Secret by V. Raymond Edman; Shadow of the Almighty by Elisabeth Elliot; God Can Make It Happen by Russ Johnston.

13. How to Develop a Servant Heart.

A. Develop humility. Matthew 10:24; 20:28; Luke 17:7-10; I Peter 2:18; Philippians 2:3-8; Mark 10:45; Luke 22:26,27; Romans 12:16 (LB); Philippians 2:19-22; 2:25-30; Acts 20:19.

- 1) Study the life of Ziba. II Samuel 9:2,11; 16:1-4; 19:24-27.
- 2) From Deuteronomy 15, list the rights, privileges, and duties of a bondsman; then read Luke 17:7-10 and make a personal application.
- 3) From the following verses, list the characteristics of a humble life and pick out one weak area in your life and develop a project to help in that

area. I Peter 2:18; Philippians 2:3-8; Luke 22:26,27; Romans 12:16; Philippians 2:19-22; Philippians 2:25-30; Acts 20:19; Mark 10:45.

4) Meditate on James 4:6 and why that is true.

5) From meditation on these verses, make two columns: "My part in becoming a success" and "God's part in making me a success." I Peter 5:5,6; Psalm 75:6,7; Matthew 20:16; Isaiah 66:2.

B. Learn to Meet Practical Needs of Others.

1) Physical. Matthew 25:35-40; Matthew 10:42; Romans 12:13-15; I Peter 4:9; Hebrews 13:1-3; Hebrews 6:10.

a. Commit yourself to learn from one who is already proficient at serving others.

b. List the practical needs of those you are in contact with every day and list at least one way you can meet that need.

2) Spiritual.

a. Read I Thessalonians 1 and 2 and list what the Thessalonians' needs were and how Paul met them.

b. Repeat the above project with Ephesians 1, Colossians 1, and Philippians 1.

- Audios available: Making Disciples (Videos 1-8) by Gene Warr; How to Train a Disciple by Walt Henrichsen; Developing Disciplemakers and Objectives in Making Disciples by LeRoy Eims; Concept and Philosophy of Disciplemaking by Skip Gray; The Difference Between Help and Training by Dave Dawson; Ministry, Philosophy, and Strategy by Max Barnett; Follow Me Principle by Max Barnett; Making Disciples by Doug Sparks; Building (Audios 1-4) by Doug Sparks; Building into Another's Life by Leila Sparks; Qualities Needed for Helping Others and Recruiting Girls to the Great Commission by Jodi Baker; Discipleship Principles I, II, and III and Training I and II by Larry Woods.
- Books available: Conserving the Fruits of Evangelism by Dawson Trotman; The Dynamics of Personal Follow-up by Gary Kuhne; Disciples Are Made, Not Born by Walt Henrichsen; Master Plan of Evangelism by Robert Coleman; How Jesus Trained Leaders by Maxfield Garrett; New Testament Follow-Up by Waylon Moore; What Made You Cross? by J. H. Horsburgh.

14. Openly Identifying with Christ. Mark 8:34; Mark 8:38; Luke 14:27.

A. Study Acts 22 and Acts 26 listing the four areas of Paul's life covered in his testimony.

B. Using the outline from # I, write your own testimony.

C. From John 4:7-27, answer:

1) Why did the disciples marvel?

2) List principles Jesus used to communicate the gospel.

3) Write down why you think the Samaritan woman responded as she did.

D. From I Peter 3:15, I John 1:3, and John 9:24,25, write down what you think the value of your testimony is.

E. From the following verses, list the condition and future of the unbeliever and your responsibility as a Christian: Ezekiel 3:18-19; I Timothy 2:4; Acts 1:8; 2:1-24; 2:32-47; Luke 16:27,28; II Thessalonians 1:7-10; Acts 18:6; 24:14-16; 3:12-20; Revelation 20:15; Romans 10:13-14; 1:14; Ezekiel 33:11; Mark 16:15; Acts 4:1-31; 8:1-5; John 3:36.

- Audios available: Evangelism by Billy Graham; Students' Questions by Paul Little, The Great Resurrection Hoax and Nine-point Whammy by Josh McDowell; Enemies of Evangelism by Skip Gray; Importance of Evangelism by Max Barnett; Witnessing by Pat Shaughnessy; The Testimony by Scott Smith.
- Books available: How to Give Away Your Faith by Paul Little; Winning Ways by LeRoy Eims; How to Witness by Lorne Sanny.

15. How to Reproduce Spiritually. II Timothy 2:2. The example of Moses and Joshua, Elijah and Elisha, Jesus and the Twelve, Paul and Timothy.

- For suggested Audios and books, see the spiritual section under #13, How to Develop a Servant Heart.

16. How to Build a Christian Home. Ephesians 5:25-27.

- Audios available: Scriptural Home Seminar by George Sanchez; Husband and Wife Relationship by Jack and Carol Mayhall; The Role and Responsibility of the Husband by Gene Warr; The Role and Responsibility of the Wife by Irma Warr.
- Books available: Heaven Help the Home by Howard Hendricks; Letters to Philip by Charlie Shedd; Letters to Karen by Charlie Shedd; Do Yourself a Favor-Love Your Wife, by H. Page Williams; Me Obey Him, by Elizabeth Rice Handford; The Total Woman by Marabel Morgan; Children-Fun or Frenzy? by Al and Pat Fabrizio.

17. Priorities and the Use of Time. Ephesians 5:15-17.

- Audios available: Priorities and the Use of Time by Max Barnett; Priorities and the Use of Time by Gene Warr; How to Get Control of Your Time and Your Life by Alan
- Lakein; Managing Your Time by Ted Engstrom.
- Books available: Tyranny of the Urgent from IVCF.

18. Vision. To examine Jesus' vision and to gain perspective into what to give your life to.

- Audios available: Vision by Jim Peterson; Born to Reproduce by Dawson Trotman; Possibilities of a Life by Max Barnett; Pacesetting by John Crawford; Spiritual Leadership by Larry Woods.
- Books available: Master Plan of Evangelism by Robert Coleman; How Jesus Trained Leaders by W. Maxfield Garrett.

19. Lordship of Christ. (Total commitment) Luke 6:46; Luke 14:33; John 13:13; Acts 2:36; Philippians 2:11;

A. Meditate on Luke 14:37-45.

B. Go through the Gospels listing the costs and rewards of making Christ Lord, according to Jesus.

C. Read Hebrews 11. List the price each person paid to be on God's honor roll.

D. Meditate on Mark 8:34-37 and Matthew 16:24-26.

E. From Romans 6,7, and 8, list the characteristics of the old and new natures, and how we are to overcome the old nature.

- Audios available: Jesus Is Lord by Gene Warr. Authority of the Believer by Jack Taylor; Life Transforming Concepts I by Tim Timmons; What is the Christian Life and How do I Live the Christian Life? by Tim Timmons; The Lordship of Christ by Rod Sargent; Total Commitment by Helene Ashker; Jesus Is Lord by S. M. Lockridge.
- Books and booklets recommended: Have We No Rights? by Maybelle Williamson; My Heart - Christ's Home by Robert Boyd Munger; Calvary Road by Roy Hession; Continuous Revival by Norman Grubb; The Normal Christian Life by Watchman Nee; Saving Life of Christ by W. Ian Thomas; Where Is Your Treasure? by William McDonald.

20. Knowing God. John 17:26; Psalm 69:36; 91:14; 31:23; Philippians 1:9.

A. Study the names of God out of a concordance, preferably Young's.

B. Study the seven major concepts of God: Loving, Holy, Forgiving, Heavenly Father, Unchanging, Provider, and Personal.

C. From John 17:26, study the life of Jesus and how He manifested the names of God to His disciples.

- Audios available: Attributes of God by Josh McDowell; Names of God by Jack Taylor; Character of God's Nature I, II, III, IV by Jim White; Fellowship with God by George Sanchez; Quiet Time by Larry Woods; Knowing God I, II, III by Peter Lord.
- Recommended books: Knowing God by J. I. Packer; The Names of God by Nathan Stone.

21. Suffering. Deuteronomy 13:3; James 1:12; Romans 5:3-5; Psalm 26:2,3; I Peter 4:12,13; 1:6; II Corinthians 1:3,4; II Timothy 3:12; John 16:33.

A. List the circumstances from your past and present for which you cannot understand the ways God was and is working.

B. Do a character study of Joseph.

C. Do a word study on prudence.

- Audios available: Suffering by Donald Grey Barnhouse; Suffering by Ruth Myers; Trials and Temptations by Larry Woods; Trials by Peter Lord; Job Videos 1-5 by Gene Warr.

22. Discovering God's Will.

- Recommended Audios: The Will of God by John Repass; The Will of God by Lorne Sanny.

23. How to Study the Bible. II Timothy 2:15.

A. From the following verses (Ezra 7:10; Proverbs 2:4; II Tim. 2:15) answer these questions:

- 1) What are the proper attitudes toward studying the Word?
- 2) Who are the people who studied the Word, and what was their occupation?
- 3) What is the objective of Bible study as opposed to other methods of intake of the Word?
- 4) What ways will Bible study benefit you that the other methods of intake of the Word will not?
- 5) Study Proverbs 2:1-10. List the attitudes to take in Bible study and the results of these attitudes.

- Audios available: Bible Methods I, II, III, IV, V by Howard Hendricks.
- Recommended book: Joy of Discovery by Oletta Wald.

Disciple-Rating Sheet

On a scale of 1 to 10 (1 being very weak, 10 being very strong) evaluate yourself and then, the person with whom you are working in the areas of Vision, Ministry Skills, and Character.

Vision		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Comments
1	Grasp of what follow-up is											
2	Grasp of multiplication principle											
3	Understanding what it means to motivate, teach, train, and build											
4	Understanding and obeying the great commandment. Matthew 22:36-40											
5	The Great Commission being his vision											
6	An understanding of world need											
7	Understands every person's need for Christ											
8	An understanding of the world situation-political, economic, religious											
9	A grasp of population centers, degree of evangelical witness, present response											
10	An understanding of what God has done in the past											
11	The infinite worth of the individual											
12	The absolute authority of the Bible											
13	Prophecy-what is going to happen											
14	Reality of heaven and hell											
Ministry Skills												
1	Personal testimony											
2	Evangelism											
3	Public speaking											
4	Ability to encourage others											
5	Specific application of the Word											
6	Ability to lead a group Bible study											
7	Scripture memory											
8	Helping another one-to-one											
9	Ability to set objectives											
10	Takes steps to reach objectives											
11	Prayer life											
12	Quiet time											
13	Ability to prepare Bible Study											
14	Ability to work on a team											
15	Initiative to do things independently											
16	Ability to motivate people											
17	A thinker											
18	Balance											
19	Peacemaker											
20	Leader											
21	Creative											
22	Ability to work with those who disagree											
23	Flexible											
24	Organizational ability											
25	Sensitivity to sin_											
26	Sensitivity to needs of others											

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