## **Make Disciples**

18 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, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen. (Matt 28:18-20 KJV)

18 Then Jesus came up and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19
Therefore <u>GO</u> and <u>MAKE</u> <u>DISCIPLES</u> of all <u>NATIONS</u>, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matt 28:18-20 NET)

## **Defining Making Disciples**

- *Teach*; (mathēteuō) to make a disciple, to become a pupil, to instruct, enroll as a <u>SCHOLAR</u>
- Disciple; a student, learner, pupil
- Make; to bring into being by forming, shaping, or altering material. To <u>PRODUCE</u> as a result of action, <u>EFFORT</u>, or behavior

#### 1st century Context

 Dwellers in Israel, well acquainted with the rabbi-disciple relationship. After carefully choosing their followers rabbis would spend their lives teaching, training, imparting and sharing their lives values, and principles

# <u>The definition of a Disciples includes Disciple Making. Therefore, if we are not making disciples, then we are not disciples ourselves</u>

#### Soul-winning vs Disciple Making

- @ the New Birth believers receive a \_\_BIRTH\_\_CERTIFICATE\_\_\_, NOT a \_DIPLOMA\_\_
- If Soul winning is like a microwave, then disciple making is like a **CROCK POT**
- Winning communicates a short, measurable sequence of time after which there is no more <u>OBLIGATION</u>.
   However, making communicates a skillful, labor-intensive, open ended season of <u>PERSONAL</u>
   <u>INVESTMENT</u> and oversight

#### Importance of Discipleship

Making Christians lasts only one generation because there is no expectation of reproduction, but making disciples is a self-perpetuating vision because no discipleship is complete until the disciples turns around and begins to invest in a new disciple

#### Read Judges 2:7-12

Key Verse: "And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the Lord, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel."

- The Pentecostal Movement is constantly one generation away from extinction
- Making Disciples secures the future, and preserves a culture. When a species fails to reproduce itself, it will be lost in one generation.
- James Dobson stated that "you never know how well you instilled your values within your children until you observe your <u>GRANDCHILDREN</u>"
- <u>REPRODUCING</u> ourselves in others is undoubtedly the goal and demonstration of full maturity in Christ!

• Making disciples should be as natural as a grape reproducing grapes or a husband and wife reproducing children.

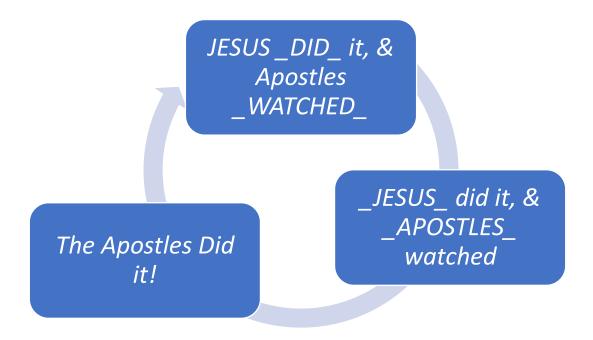
The Devil's Commission: Matt 23:15

Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.

 Disciples of the world are being made – drug dealers, gangsters, pornographers, rock stars, extreme Islamists

Teach what we <u>KNOW</u>, but we reproduce what we <u>ARE</u>

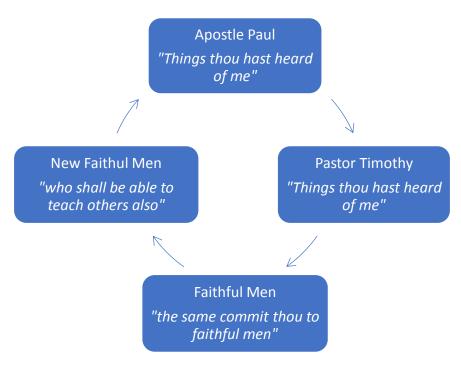
## JESUS Method of Disciple making;



#### **Key Scripture:**

Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 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. (II Tim 2:1-2)

How many generations are represented in this verse? **FOUR** 



#### Other Key Scriptures:

- Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ. 2 Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you. (I Cor 11:1-2)
- Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you. (Phil 4:9)
- I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth. (III John 4)
- For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: (I Pet 2:21)
- When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also. (II Tim 1:5)

# The Impact of a Disciple

Making Disciples may not carry the excitement of a crusade – but if every believer committed to making disciples daily, the possibilities are staggering within just one generation.

Author Greg Ogden shared a graph developed by Keith Phillips

#### Soul-winner Model - 16 yrs

1 person coming to Christ daily (no disciples) = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ converts

#### <u>Disciple-Maker Model – 16 yrs</u>

1 Disciple-Maker making 1 Disciple per year = 65,536 disciples

If the disciple maker makes one disciple per year, and then each developed disciples makes one disciples per year, in the same amount of time the disciple makers impact is 65,536.

#### Disciple making outperforms evangelism model by a staggering 10-1 ratio

Soul-winner Model – 30 yrs; <u>**10,950**</u> converts

# **Evangelistic Addition vs. Disciple-making Multiplication**

<u>Year</u>	<b>Evangelist</b>	<u>Discipler</u>	D-Group of 4
1	365	2	3
2	730	4	9
3	1,095	8	27
4	1,460	16	81
5	1,825	32	243
6	2,190	64	729
7	2,555	128	2,187
8	2,920	256	6,561
9	3,285	512	19,683
10	3,650	1,024	59,049
11	4,015	2,048	177,147
12	4,380	4,096	531,441
13	4,745	8,192	1,594,323
14	5,110	16,384	4,782,969
15	5,475	32,768	14,348,907
16	5,840	65,536	43,046,721

# **Discipleship Action Work**

<sup>\*</sup>Begin to pray and ask the Lord to lead Pastor Rob & the HOP, on how we can successfully incorporate disciplemaking into our church, so that we can transform lives the way JESUS, and the early church did.

<sup>\*</sup>Can your walk with Christ be modeled by someone else? If not, REPENT, and ask the Lord what you must change right now, so that you be the disciple maker that He is calling you to be.

<sup>\*</sup>Think of 3-5 disciple making activities that can be incorporated @ home or at church and come prepared to discuss at the next Discipleship Training session.