

Discipleship: Jesus Our Role Model By Lucinda Davidoff December 8, 2019

Our covenant relationship

The nature of a covenant relationship is that there are two parties involved in a covenant
It means that God has a part to play and we have a part to play
When we put ALL responsibility of our faith on God we start living a confusing faith and an unfulfilling one
The covenant has been written to establish a safe place within which we can walk in the blessing
You have responsibilities in this covenant

Great Commission

Matthew 28:18-20 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

Jesus had 12 disciples

Jesus showed us how to go about making an impact by discipling 12
They then in turn disciplined others
He sent them out two by two to do the work of the ministry

Luke 10:1-3 & 8-9 After these things the Lord appointed seventy others also, and sent them two by two before His face into every city and place where He Himself was about to go. Then He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest. Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs among wolves.

Whatever city you enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you. And heal the sick there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

Maturity happens when we DO THE WORK of the ministry

Ephesians 4 :11-13 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

Discipling Others

Take someone on this journey with you

You only need to be ONE STEP ahead to lead someone else- don't wait till you are perfect

Don't wait for something to happen! Make something happen

Be consistent!! Keep doing good in due time you WILL have your reward

Stick to the process that God outlined, don't change the strategy!

Our Vision

Raise 300 DISCIPLES that are ABLE to make disciples

3 Pillars

Prayer

Evangelism

Discipleship

Create a CULTURE of PRAYER

Intentionally making room for prayer- (pre service prayer is from 8:30am- 9:30am), we want to start an intercessors connect group)

Teaching our disciples to pray in the Spirit

Fasting AND prayer

Teaching always about the prayer of FAITH (Faith makes prayer work)

A culture of EVANGELISM

Intentionally ENGAGE your community
Consistently ENGAGE your community

Engage Our Community

Create an invite culture
Create an outreach culture

A culture of DISCIPLESHIP

Intentionally creating environments where discipleship happens
Small groups are defined discipleship hubs
Dream team (those that serve on Sundays)who are you raising (leadership pipeline)
Always identifying new talent and where they fit in and developing them

Equip to lead/Empower to lead

Teach and train them in the word of God
Implement the word of God
Multiply leadership

Format of small groups

ABCs of small groups
A's testimonies or anything we can pray for (connection and accountability)
B's Bible study (discipleship)
Notes and video on the website for Sunday sermon
What is Holy Spirit saying to you to do this week **Ministry Time**
C's Communicate with three people with the message we have learned this week

Will you answer the call?

To reach out as a lifestyle
To make disciples that in turn make disciples
To lead a small group
To serve at church

The enemy wants you to think stepping into ministry will take TIME AWAY from your family- It doesn't SUBTRACT, it actually will only ADD to your family

Do it by **FAITH** and in obedience to His word
You do ministry in a **LIFE GIVING way**
We always operate out of **GRACE AND FAITH**

As you are sowing into the kingdom- your kids get to be a part of experiencing this and this speaks deeply to their sense of purpose

God is calling YOU

It's time to become DISCIPLES MAKERS

Many of you will STEP out and LEAD your own CONNECT GROUPS.

Pray

Ask Holy Spirit which area He would like you to COMMIT to serving in each Sunday
Ask Holy Spirit is leading a connect group your next step- we would support you in this and be there to hand hold with you in the beginning
Pray about ideas for your connect group's community outreach- your big catch
Pray about three people to reach out to this week

How do we start?

Pray about it and get a word from the Lord- those who are led by the Spirit are called sons and daughters of God

Get a venue- your home / a club house/ a community centre

Announce your start date

Invite friends

Choose an understudy

Stay The Course

Life is a marathon, not a sprint....

STAY in faith- people must see your faith and enthusiasm and JOY!

Believe in yourself. You have what it takes!

Keep equipping yourself, Keep learning, Keep growing- you need to have something to give.