

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

WEEK 2: BEING A DISCIPLE



BIG IDEA: A disciple is someone who follows Jesus. Specifically, someone who follows Jesus by living for Jesus, living as family, living on mission, and living to multiply.

DISCUSSION: Answer the following questions as Gospel Community this week.

1. BIBLE: Read Matthew 4.18-22 and answer these questions

- What do you see happening in these verses?
- What did Jesus mean when he said to Simon and Andrew, “follow me”?
- What do you think Jesus meant in verse 19 when he said, “I will make you fishers of men?”

2. BIBLE: Read Matthew 28.18-20. What similarities do you see between Matthew 4.18-22 and Matthew 28.18-20?

3. DISCIPLESHIP: From these verses, how would you define what a “disciple” is?

4. CONFESSION: What could be some things that our Gospel Community could be prone to focus on if we weren’t focused on discipleship?

5. APPLICATION FOR YOU: Now that we have spent some time defining what a disciple is, what is an area of your life as a disciple of Jesus that God might want you to grow in this year?

6. APPLICATION FOR OTHERS: As you look forward to growing as a disciple of Jesus this year, who has God put in your life that you could help do the same? In other words, who might God want you to disciple this year?

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LEADER GUIDE: Take a few minutes and prep for your GC gathering by reviewing the Leader Guide below.

Here are some practical guidelines as you lead GC this week.

- **Starting Point:** Help the GC get that Discipleship starts with your identity in Jesus
- **Simple Definition of a Disciple:** Someone who follows Jesus.
- **Biblical Discipleship:** Help people get their definition of discipleship from the Bible.
- **Growing as a Disciple:** Help people get a vision for their growth as a disciple of Jesus. In short, this is growing in Christlikeness.
- **Discipling Others:** Help people see that they are called to disciple others. In other words, helping others follow Jesus.

BIG WIN: As a church, one of our goals is to “Make Disciples that Make Disciples”. See this week as an opportunity for our GCs to see discipleship and making disciples as something Jesus calls us to, invites us to, and will be with us as we do it.

PRAY: Pray Colossians 1.28-29 as a prayer for yourself as you lead GC. This isn’t a “pressure thing” where you have to disciple everyone in your GC, but instead, help people in your GC take seriously their own discipleship as well as Jesus’ call to make disciples of others.