
2017 Discipleship Training

Evangelism

Jubilee Church

A Disciple's Covenant

In order to grow maturity in Christ and completes Discipleship Training, I commit myself to the following standards:

1. Complete all assignments on a weekly basis.
2. Meet weekly (Sunday) with my discipleship partners for approximately one hour to dialogue over the content of the assignments.
3. Contribute to a climate of honesty, trust and personal vulnerability in a spirit of mutual upbuilding.
4. Give serious consideration to continuing the discipling chain by committing myself to invest in at least one person for the year following the initial completion of this training.

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Dated: _____

Evangelism Training

1. Principle 1: Keep your priorities straight.
2. Principle 2: Springing from the inside out. Evangelism is more spiritual than methodological.
3. Principle 3: Being a good witness means passionately pursuing the lost in love.
4. Principle 4: Make the Gospel clear.

Reference: The material is a synopsis of the 7 Principles of an evangelistic life (Douglas M. Cecil).

1. Principle 1: Keep Your Priorities Straight.

Key concept: Evangelism is a natural expression of our relationship with Jesus Christ.

Key Bible Reference: John 15

- Priority 1: Abide in Jesus (John 15:4-5)
- Priority 2: Love one another (John 15:12; Matthew 22:37-40)
- Priority 3: Reach the World (John 15:16; 26-27)

How are these priorities relate to each other? Jesus is praying for the three priorities He taught in the upper room in John 15.

John 17:11 – “Holy Father, keep them in Your name.” (the relationship to God) that “they may be one” (Our relationship with others – Love one another). John 17:21 – “that they may all be one.” (Love one another) “so that the world may believe that You sent me.” (Reach the world).

Abiding in Jesus and loving one another leads to reaching the world.

There is a great commandment before there is a great commission. Out of our personal relationship with Jesus Christ flows our relationship with others and our relationship with the world. (Mark 1:17)

In conclusion, evangelism is not our first priority. Our relationship with Jesus Christ is our first priority. However, evangelism is ultimately where our love of God and people is headed.

Applications:

- Daily Scripture Reading (follow Jubilee Bible Reading Chart)
Sunday: Ps 116-118; Mon: Ps 119; Tues Ps 120-131; Wed: Ps 132-138;
Thurs: Ps 139-144; Friday: Ps 145-150; Sat: Prov 1-3
- Daily Prayer
- Share Gospel to one person this week.

2. Principle 2: Springing from the inside out.

Key concept: Evangelism is more spiritual than methodological.

Key Bible Reference: John 7:37-39

³⁷ Now on the last day, the great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If any man is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. ³⁸ "He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.' ³⁹ But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet *given*, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

- Satisfying our thirst: The right source

First, Jesus says that you need to go to the right source. Jesus says that you need to come to Him to drink. The means of the grace available to us are: prayer, Bible study/meditation/memory, praise, solitude, etc.

- Coming to the source again and again

Second, Jesus says that you need to keep coming to the source. "Keep coming and keep drinking from the source." One of the greatest struggles we all have is trying to keep our daily time with the Lord consistent. Jesus is our living water (John 4:10-26) from whom we need to get our spiritual energy and power.

- How to have that living water flow
- The flow of living water is available to "whoever believes."
- There is an inexhaustible source of living water available. ("streams" of living water).
- The living water is alive.
- The living water will flow from our innermost being.

- Developing a passion for the lost

Applications:

- Daily Scripture Reading (follow Jubilee Bible Reading Chart)
Sunday: Pr 4-7; Mon: Pr 8-10; Tues: Pr 11-13; Wed: Pr 14-16; Thurs: Pr 17-19; Friday: Pr 20-22; Sat: Pr 23-25
- Daily Prayer (Develop the prayer list specifically about who to pray for and what to pray for)
- Share Gospel to one person this week.

3. Principle 3: Being a good witness means passionately pursuing the lost in love.

Key concept: Being a good witness for Jesus Christ is intimately involved with the lost people.

Key Bible Reference: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-2:

*For you yourselves know, brethren, that our coming to you was not in vain,
2 but after we had already suffered and been mistreated in Philippi, as you know, we had the boldness in our God to speak to you the gospel of God amid much opposition.*

Being a witness gives testimony to the relationship that we enjoy with Jesus Christ. We can be or give a testimony about Jesus Christ without actually sharing the Gospel. Evangelism is the communication of the good news of Jesus Christ with the intent of inviting the listener to trust Jesus Christ. Being a witness is a way to open the door to evangelism. Being a witness builds a bridge into an unbeliever's life so that the Gospel may be shared in the future.

There are three kinds of witnesses. Each kind of witness can use a number of different approaches; however, no witness is passive or inactive in life. All are passionately pursuing the lost in love.

1. Being a life witness

A life witness depends on a positive lifestyle. How you live your life should be a testimony of your relationship with Jesus Christ. You can be a witness merely by your presence. You can be a life witness through acts of service.

2. Being a verbal witness

We can also give testimony to the power of Jesus Christ verbally. A verbal witness could come in the form of a faith story. It can come by offering belief and value statements. Evangelistic bible study might be in the form of being a verbal witness.

3. Being a corporate witness

Another form of being a witness is through the church itself - being a corporate witness. The love that we show for one another is a form of a witness to the lost world. (John 13:35).

Applications:

- Daily Scripture Reading (follow Jubilee Bible Reading Chart)
Sunday (7/9): Pr 26-28; Mon (7/10): Pr 29-31; Tues (7/11): Eccl 1-4; Wed (7/12): Eccl 5-8; Thurs (7/13): Eccl 9-12; Friday (7/14): Song of Solomon 1-4; Sat (7/15): Song of Solomon 5-8

Sunday (7/16): Isaiah 1-3; Mon (7/17): Isaiah 4-6; Tues (7/18): Isaiah 7-9; Wed (7/19): Isaiah 10-13; Thurs (7/20): Isaiah 14-16; Friday (7/21): Song of Isaiah 17-21; Sat (7/22): Isaiah 22-25

Date	Key Idea of Meditation
Sunday (7/9):	Pr 26-28;
Mon (7/10):	Pr 29-31;
Tues (7/11):	Eccl 1-4;
Wed (7/12):	Eccl 5-8;
Thurs (7/13):	Eccl 9-12;
Friday (7/14):	Song of Sol 1-4;
Sat (7/15):	Song of Sol 5-8
Sunday (7/16):	Isaiah 1-3;
Mon (7/17):	Isaiah 4-6;
Tues (7/18):	Isaiah 7-9;
Wed (7/19):	Isaiah 10-13;
Thurs (7/20):	Isaiah 14-16;
Friday (7/21):	Isaiah 17-21;
Sat (7/22):	Isaiah 22-25

- Develop the prayer list and pray daily

People	Topic	Church	Topic	Nations	Topic

- Being a witness or share the Gospel next two weeks.

Date:

Person:

Content:

Outcome:

4. Principle 4: Make the Gospel clear.

Roman's Road example

Romans 3:23 “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” (Sin)

We all have sin in our heart. We all were born with sin. We were born under the power of sin's control. Admit that you are a sinner.

Romans 6:23a “...The wages of sin is death.” (Consequence of Sin)

The punishment that we have earned for our sin is death. Not just physical death, but eternal death. Understand that you deserve death for your sin.

Romans 6:23b “..But the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” (Grace)

But God gave the greatest gift, His Son, Jesus Christ through whom you can have eternal life.

Romans 5:8 “God demonstrated His own love for us, in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.” (Love)

Christ died for your sin in your place on the cross. Christ resurrection proves that God accepted Jesus' death as payment for your sins.

Romans 10:9 “If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead, you shall be saved.” (Faith)

Now salvation, the forgiveness of sins, is available for you, but you have to confess that Jesus Christ died for you and resurrected in order for you to be saved!