

Disciple-Making Plan

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Why make this plan? Quick story: There was a mission team that claimed year after year that they had goals for planting hundreds of churches for Christ. However, they had yet to even plant one church. When a new team leader joined their team, he challenged them to think about what they needed to do to plant just the *first* church. He had them each make a plan for their personal evangelism and discipling. Within a year, the team had two growing fellowships, and the excitement of the team was palpable as they saw real fruits of their labors. (Adapted from p. 17 of Daniel Sinclair's *Vision of the Possible*)

We may give lip service that being disciples of Jesus and making disciples of Jesus is important. But does how we spend our time day to day reflect these eternal priorities? Just as Jesus had a plan for His time on earth, so we also need to be intentional and have a definite plan for advancing His kingdom in our lives.

Thus, the two-fold purpose of Personal Disciple-Making Plan is to: (1) Follow Jesus; (2) Make more followers of Jesus

There are six overarching questions with sub-questions to build upon the overarching questions. Set aside at least two uninterrupted hours to pray and answer all of the questions. Some of the questions might lead you to seek out more resources or help from others.

Word

- How will I fill my mind with truth?
 - How will I read God's Word?
 - How will I memorize God's Word?
 - How will I learn God's Word from others?
- How will I spread God's glory among all peoples?
 - How will I pray for the nations?
 - How will I give and send workers to the nations?
 - How will I go to the nations?

Jesus/Prayer

- How will I fuel my affections for God?
 - How will I worship?
 - How will I pray?
 - How will I fast?
 - How will I give?

World

- How will I share God's love as a witness to the world?
 - Who will I share with?
 - How can I intentionally create opportunities to share gospel truths?
 - When will I make these opportunities?
 - Why should I share the gospel?

Church

- How will I share God's love in the community of the church?
 - What body of believers has God called me to? Can I make disciples here?
 - What are the gifts God has given me to be a blessing to others?
 - What can I do to build up believers and be built up?
- How will I make disciple-makers like Jesus did?
 - How will I find them or bring them in?
 - How will I teach them to obey?
 - How will I model obedience?
 - How will I send them out?