



# DISCIPLINED

## Making Disciples

The D-Cycle is a curriculum containing content designed to establish the scriptural foundations of the faith in the life of a believer.

### VISION FOR MAKING DISCIPLES

Making Disciples is in the Disciplined portion of the D-Cycle. Disciple making was Jesus' method to reach the whole earth with the Good News of his life, death, burial, and resurrection. Disciple making is not merely sharing the gospel or reading the Bible with someone – but a commitment to model for others what it looks like to follow Jesus and teach them to obey his commands including to make disciples.

#### Key Definitions

- **Disciple-Making:** the intentional process of training people to be devoted followers of Jesus, who through accountable relationships increasingly resemble Him and reproduce other disciples

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### HEAD

#### Summary of Points

**1. Jesus commands every disciple to be a disciple maker**

As disciples of Jesus, there is a joyful invitation and expectation to co-labor with Jesus in sharing and teaching others to obey the Good News of Jesus.

**2. Making disciples is more than just a once-a-week meeting – it is modeling for others what it looks like to follow Jesus**

Jesus modeled what it looked like to live in communion with the Father and Holy Spirit for 3 years to the disciples in everyday life. Paul modeled the same to Timothy and Timothy likewise modeled to others.

**3. Disciple makers are ambassadors who represent the King**

Part of the responsibility of being an ambassador is inviting others to experience the Kingdom they represent. As followers of King Jesus, we invite people to meet Jesus and initiate them into the culture and values of Jesus' Kingdom.

**4. Helping others make disciples can be summarized as Model -> Assist -> Watch -> Leave (MAWL)**

Jesus, Paul, and others modeled for later generations what it looked like to follow God. They empowered their disciples to do the same things they did, assisting them at times, watching them, with the goal of completely trusting them to initiate others into Kingdom life.

## D-Group Scriptures

### The Great Commission

Matthew 28:19-20,  
Mark 16:15-18,  
John 20:21, Acts 1:8

### Paul and Disciple-Making

2 Timothy 2:2,  
1 Corinthians 11:1

### The Process of Disciple-Making

Luke 8:1-3, Luke 9:1-2,  
Luke 10:1

### Who is a Disciple-Maker?

John 4:1-26,  
Mark 5:1-20

### Being an Ambassador

2 Corinthians 5:11-21

### Jesus and Disciple-Making

Luke 6:39-40

## Discussion Methods

Below are two suggested methods for discussing Scripture.

Traditional DBS New Testament Letters	Inductive Bible Study Gospels, Acts, Old Testament Accounts
1. What does this say about God?	1. Observation – What happened?
2. What does this say about me/people?	2. Interpretation – What does it mean?
3. What is my obedient response?	3. Application – How can I obey?

# HEART

## Questions

1. What does it mean to make disciples?
  2. What aspect of making disciples seems to be most challenging for you? Why do you think it is challenging?
  3. Where in your life would you say it is difficult for you to say, "Follow me, as I follow Jesus." What is Jesus' invitation for you in these areas?
  4. What do you think the impact of a lifestyle marked by disciple-making would be over the course of the next year? Next 4 years? The rest of your life?
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# HANDS

## Discipleship Actions

1. Pray and ask God to lead you in making disciples of others.
  2. Identify 1 or 2 people you can share the Good News of Jesus with or invite to read the Bible together this upcoming week. Plan to share how it went next week at discipleship.
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# RESOURCES

## Articles

- [Jesus' Unlikely Strategy to Change the World](#) – Travis Nicholson

## Books

- [Threads: Weaving Disciple Making into the Fabric of Your Life](#) – Kirk Freeman
- [Go Make Disciples](#) – Drew Steadman

## Teachings

- Jesus Strategy to Change the World – Travis Nicholson
  - o [Apple Podcasts](#)
  - o [Spotify](#)