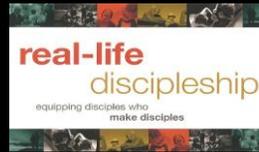


INTRODUCTION LESSON



ICE BREAKER: Ask the members of our group to imagine the following scenario: “Your house is on fire, and everyone is safe. You have 30 seconds to run through the house and collect three or four articles you want to save. What would you grab? Why?”

After everyone has done this, the group can discuss what they learned about the things they value.

PRAY: Disciple making movements begin, end and have prayer sprinkled all throughout the process. You will cover this Real Life Disciples week 11 (pg186) but I like to start here. Introduce the concept of praying for F.A.T. people in our lives. REMEMBER: We are intentional leaders. Leading those we are discipling in an EXPERIENTIAL RELATIONAL ENVOIRONMENT. We don't just talk about a concept. WE DO IT! Lead your group in praying for God to put F.A.T. people in our lives and for us to be faithful/obedient to disciple those people.

KEY VERSE TO CONSIDER: Matthew 7:7-11

Faithful-A person committed to the things of God. If a person is not serious about his or her faith, that person is not ready.

Available-A person who is allocating time and priority to growing in his or her walk with Christ and in his or her relationships.—It does not work to have to beg or who is too busy to study outside your meeting.

Teachable-A person willing to learn and open to seeing new truth through honest questions.—the opposite would be someone who is proud and argumentative at every turn.

PIPELINE EXERCISE GUIDELINES

- The line cannot be moved.
- The participants cannot move the bucket.
- The balls may only be transported in the troughs.
- The balls may only be touched behind the line.
- The ball returns back behind the line if:
 - Someone touches a ball
 - If troughs touch each other
 - If a ball is dropped
 - If your feet move while you have a ball

-Facilitator will be the referees.

-Your facilitators can repeat any of the Pipeline rules/guidelines during the game as needed.

•Your team will have:

- 5 minutes to set goal and make a plan for how you will play the game.
- 5 minutes to play.

What's the point? For us to be an effective disciple making team at SCC, we need to be on the same page of what winning looks like. This session of Grow Groups will help us get on the same page so we can effectively partner with God in the commission to which He has called us to be a part.



KEY VERSE TO CONSIDER:

John 17:4-9 (ESV) ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. ⁶"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸**For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.** ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours.

The chronological context of this passage is prior to the crucifixion, prior to the resurrection, prior to the ascension. So, when He uses past tense... glorified/accomplished,

-What is He talking about? Vs 8 answers the question.

1. Jesus gave His disciples the words the Father gave Him.
2. His disciples received those words.

-What were the "words"?

1. That Jesus came from the Father.
2. They believed that the Father sent the Son.

The work that was accomplished was the disciples were taught about Jesus and they believed it.

THEY WERE TAUGHT ABOUT JESUS!

This passage makes it clear that part of Jesus' mission from the Father was to equip, teach and train his disciples.

THEN HE PASSES THAT RESPONSIBILITY ON TO US HIS CHURCH.

KEY VERSE TO CONSIDER: Matthew 28:18-20 (The Great Commission)

It's our job now. David Platt in his book "Radical" says the Church doing Matthew 28:18-20 is "Plan A" and there is no "Plan B".

So how are we doing?

This session of Grow Groups helps us to be on the same page as a disciple making team so we obediently partner with Christ to expand His kingdom-one disciple at a time.