

## MODULE 1 - TUTOR: PASTOR KOLA TAIWO

### Course Presentation Outline

#### SLIDE 1:

- **DISCIPLESHIP AND ITS IMPACT ON THE CHURCH**

#### SLIDE 2: WHO IS A DISCIPLE?

- A disciple is a learner who attaches themselves to a teacher in order to be formed by their teaching, values, and way of life.
  - More than a student (in that they learn a life). They adopt a pattern.
- A disciple learns through relationship
  - It happens by watching, imitating, and walking with the teacher.
- A disciple submits to formation
  - They allow their thinking, character, habits, and priorities to be shaped.
- A disciple lives out what is learned
  - Learning is proved by embodiment
- A disciple represents the teacher
  - Disciples eventually become living expressions of the one they follow, carrying their message, values, and methods into the world.

### Module 1 – Part 1

#### SLIDE 3 **CONTENT (WHAT WE SHALL COVER)**

- **WHO IS JESUS — Part 1.1**
- **MINISTRY OF JESUS CHRIST — Part 1.2**
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- **IDENTIFYING GOD'S CALLING ON YOU — Part 1.4**

## SLIDE 4

### Part 1.1 WHO IS A DISCIPLE OF CHRIST

- Bro Gbile Akanni's definition ...

***“One who has been conquered by Christ and now lives to make Christ known and reproduced in others”***

- A simple and memorable definition ...

***“Christ-possessed, Christ-patterned and Christ-propagating”***

## SLIDE 5

### Part 1:1 — Who Is Jesus?

- The question ***“Who is Jesus?”*** is relevant because everything in Christianity rises or falls on the answer.
  - If Jesus is merely a ***teacher***, His ***words inspire***; if He is ***the Son of God***, His ***words command obedience and redefine life itself.***
  - ***Who Jesus is*** - determines ***what salvation means***, who God is like, and what it means to be truly human.
- The question ***“who is a disciple of Christ?”*** is equally relevant.

### 1. Central Identity of Jesus:- Colossians 1:15–17 (NKJV)

*“15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.”*

- **Central figure of Christianity — Acts 4:12 (NKJV)**

*“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”*

- the exclusive source of salvation
- the defining reference point of the faith
- the non-replaceable centre of Christian belief

- **Son of God - Matthew 16:16 (NKJV)**

*“Simon Peter answered and said, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’”*

This verse stands as a direct confession of Jesus’ identity as the Son of God—**spoken, affirmed, and foundational.**

- **Saviour of humanity**

**John 3:16 (NKJV)** - *“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”* –

**1 Timothy 4:10 (NKJV)** - *“For to this [end] we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is [the] Savior of all men, especially of those who believe.”*

The above verses provide us with the scope (**humanity**) and the source (**Jesus Christ**) of salvation.

- **Known by many titles - Isaiah 9:6 (NKJV)**

*“ For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”*

This verse gathers multiple titles into one prophetic declaration, revealing the fullness of who He is.

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### **2. His Divine Nature**

- **FULLY God:**

- **John 1:1 (NKJV)** *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”*
- **Colossians 2:9 (NKJV)** *“For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.”*

- **COEQUAL** with the Father and the Holy Spirit (**John 1:1; Col. 2:9**)

- **with God; dwells all**

- **Eternal (John 1:1; Col. 2:9) In the beginning**
  - **Revelation 1:8 (NKJV)** *“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”*
- **Participates in creation and redemption —**
  - i. **John 1:3 (NKJV)** *“All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.”*
    - → *Christ as agent of creation.*
  - ii. **Colossians 1:16–17 (NKJV)** *“For by Him all things were created... all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.”*
    - → *Christ as creator, sustainer, and goal of creation.*
  - iii. **Hebrews 9:12 (NKJV)** *“Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.”*
    - → *Christ as redeemer through His own work and sacrifice.*

## SLIDE 7

### 3. His Human Nature

- Fully human through the incarnation (Heb. 2:9)
- Born of the Virgin Mary (Matt. 1:23)
- Experienced human life yet without sin (Heb. 4:15)

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### 4. His Saving Work (The Saviour)

- Came to save and reconcile humanity (Matt. 1:21)
- Perfect sacrifice for sin (Heb. 2:17–18)
- Defeated sin, death, and evil (Heb. 2:14)
- Opened the way to eternal life (John 3:16; Rom. 5:8–10)

## SLIDE 9

### 5. His Kingship and Lordship

- Risen and ascended King (Rev. 19:16)
- Will return to judge and establish His kingdom (Acts 1:11)
- The Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6)

## SLIDE 10

### 6. Summary

- **Jesus unites divine authority and sacrificial love**
  - **John 10:18 (NKJV)** *“No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father.”*
    - Authority exercised through willing self-sacrifice
  - **Philippians 2:5-8 (NKJV)** *“Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, 7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, [and] coming in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to [the point of] death, even the death of the cross.”*
    - Godhead authority expressed in humility and love.
- **True disciples follow Him through revelation and life transformation**
  - **Matthew 16:17-18 (NKJV)** *“Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed [this] to you, but My Father who is in heaven. 18 “And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.”*
    - Discipleship begins with divine revelation, not human insight.
  - **John 8:31–32 (NKJV)** *“If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”*
    - Ongoing abiding produces transformation.
  - **2 Corinthians 3:18 (NKJV)** *“But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.”*
    - Revelation leads to progressive life transformation.

**SLIDE 11**

**MATTHEW — CHRIST THE KING (Kingdom & Authority)**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Son of David</b></li> <li>2. <b>Son of Abraham</b></li> <li>3. <b>King of the Jews</b></li> <li>4. <b>Emmanuel (God with us)</b></li> <li>5. <b>Christ (the Anointed One)</b></li> <li>6. <b>King of the kingdom of the heavens</b></li> <li>7. <b>Greater than the temple</b></li> <li>8. <b>Lord of the Sabbath</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. <b>Shepherd of Israel</b></li> <li>10. <b>Son of Man (with authority)</b></li> <li>11. <b>Bridegroom</b></li> <li>12. <b>Stone rejected by the builders</b></li> <li>13. <b>Cornerstone</b></li> <li>14. <b>Son of God (acknowledged by Gentiles)</b></li> <li>15. <b>Judge of the nations</b></li> </ul> |
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**SLIDE 12**

**MARK — CHRIST THE SLAVE-SAVIOR (Service & Action)**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>16. <b>Servant (Slave) of God</b></li> <li>17. <b>Son of God (declared in power)</b></li> <li>18. <b>Holy One of God</b></li> <li>19. <b>Carpenter</b></li> <li>20. <b>Physician</b></li> <li>21. <b>Lord</b></li> <li>22. <b>Son of Man (serving)</b></li> <li>23. <b>Suffering Servant</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>24. <b>Ransom for many</b></li> <li>25. <b>Mighty One</b></li> <li>26. <b>Doer of God's will</b></li> </ul> |
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**SLIDE 13**

**LUKE — CHRIST THE MAN-SAVIOR (Humanity & Redemption)**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>27. <b>Son of Man (emphasized strongly)</b></li> <li>28. <b>Savior</b></li> <li>29. <b>Redeemer</b></li> <li>30. <b>Horn of salvation</b></li> <li>31. <b>Dayspring from on high</b></li> <li>32. <b>Prophet</b></li> <li>33. <b>Great Prophet</b></li> <li>34. <b>Friend of sinners</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>35. <b>Bridegroom</b></li> <li>36. <b>Good Samaritan (parabolic title)</b></li> <li>37. <b>Lord of all</b></li> <li>38. <b>Righteous One</b></li> <li>39. <b>Consolation of Israel</b></li> <li>40. <b>Light for revelation to the Gentiles</b></li> </ul> |
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## SLIDE 14

### JOHN — CHRIST THE SON OF GOD (Life & Dispensing)

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| 41. <b>Word (Logos)</b>       | 50. <b>Good Shepherd</b>         |
| 42. <b>Only Begotten Son</b>  | 51. <b>Resurrection</b>          |
| 43. <b>Lamb of God</b>        | 52. <b>Life</b>                  |
| 44. <b>Son of God</b>         | 53. <b>Way</b>                   |
| 45. <b>Son of the Father</b>  | 54. <b>Truth</b>                 |
| 46. <b>I AM</b>               | 55. <b>Vine (true Vine)</b>      |
| 47. <b>Bread of Life</b>      | 56. <b>King of Israel</b>        |
| 48. <b>Light of the world</b> | 57. <b>Christ (Messiah)</b>      |
| 49. <b>Door of the sheep</b>  | 58. <b>Giver of living water</b> |

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## MODULE 1 – PART 2

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### SLIDE 16

Biblically, it points to:

- **The loss of Eden — intimate communion with God**
  - **Genesis 3:8** — “*And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day...*”

This verse points to the intimate communion with God that was lost through the Fall.
- **The loss of innocence — corruption of human nature**
  - **Genesis 3:7** — “*Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked...*”

This verse captures the loss of innocence and the corruption of human nature that followed the **Fall**.

- **The loss of authority — dominion surrendered**

- **Genesis 3:17-19 (NKJV)** - *“Then to Adam He said, “Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, ‘You shall not eat of it’: “Cursed [is] the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat [of] it All the days of your life. 18 Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, And you shall eat the herb of the field. 19 In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; For dust you [are,] And to dust you shall return.”*

This passage shows humanity’s loss of dominion, as creation no longer submits willingly but resists under the curse.

- **The loss of life — separation from God, the source of life**

- **Genesis 3:22-24 (NKJV)** - *“Then the LORD God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever”-- 23 therefore the LORD God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. 24 So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.”*

These 3 verses depict separation from God, the source of life, resulting in the loss of access to life itself.

## **SLIDE 17**

### **The Ministry of Jesus:**

**Luke 4:18–19.** Declares the mission statement of Jesus’ ministry.

#### **Luke 4:18-19 (NKJV)**

*“The Spirit of the LORD [is] upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to [the] poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to [the] captives And recovery of sight to [the ]blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; 19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD.”*

1. **Matthew 4:23.** Summarises His ministry as **teaching, proclaiming, and healing.**

**Matthew 4:23 (NKJV)** – “*And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.*”

2. **Mark 10:45.** Reveals the **servant nature and redemptive aim of His ministry.**

**Mark 10:45 (NKJV)** “*For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.*”

3. **John 10:10** Shows His ministry as **life-giving and restorative.**

**John 10:10 (NKJV)** “*The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have [it] more abundantly.*”

4. **John 17:4.** Defines His ministry as **obedient completion of the Father’s will.**

**John 17:4 (NKJV)** “*I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do.*”

***This is the foundation of the Christian faith:***

- ***His Teachings***
- ***His Miracles***
- ***His Ultimate Sacrifice***

## **SLIDES 18 - 26 - KEY ASPECTS OF JESUS'S MINISTRY**

### **1. Proclamation of the Kingdom**

- “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matt. 4:17)

Announced God's reign and called for repentance

### **2. Teaching with Authority**

- Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5–7)
- Parables revealing spiritual truths
- Instructions on love, forgiveness, faith, discipleship

### **3. Miracles and Signs**

- Healing the sick
- Delivering the oppressed
- Raising the dead
- Providing for needs
- Authority over nature

### **4. Compassion for the Marginalised**

- Tax collectors, sinners, outcasts
- Women
- Children
- The poor and broken-hearted

### **5. Training Disciples**

- Called the Twelve
- Taught and empowered them
- Gave authority to preach, heal, and cast out demons

### **6. Confrontation with Religious Leaders**

- Challenged hypocrisy and legalism
- Emphasised mercy, justice, humility

### **7. His Death and Resurrection**

- Sacrificial death for sin
- Resurrection proving His divinity and victory over death

### **8. Commissioning the Church**

- The Great Commission (Matt. 28:19–20)

## 9. Ongoing Ministry

- Through the Holy Spirit working in the Church
  - **John 16:13–14** — The Spirit continues Christ’s speaking and glorifying work
  - **Acts 1:8** — Power given to the Church to continue Christ’s witness
  - **1 Corinthians 12:7** — The Spirit manifests Christ through the body
  
- Through the lives of believers who engage in a discipleship relationship.
  - **Matthew 28:19–20** — Disciples make disciples, extending Christ’s ministry
  - **Galatians 2:20** — Christ lives His life through believers
  - **2 Timothy 2:2** — Ministry is reproduced through relational discipleship
  
- Earthly ministry in the Gospels; heavenly ministry in Acts
  - **Acts 1:1** — The Gospels record what Jesus began to do and teach
  - **Acts 2:33** — The exalted Christ continues His ministry from heaven
  - **Ephesians 1:20–23** — Christ rules from heaven, working through His body on earth
  
- True disciples are the **CONTINUATION OF CHRIST AND HIS MINISTRY** on the Earth today.
  - **John 14:12 (NKJV)** - *“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater [works] than these he will do, because I go to My Father.”*
    - → Disciples continue Christ’s works on the earth.
  
  - **2 Corinthians 5:20 (NKJV)** – *“Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore [you] on Christ’s behalf, be reconciled to God.”*
    - → Disciples **currently represent Christ Himself** in ongoing ministry.
  
  - **John 20:21 (NKJV)** – *“So Jesus said to them again, “Peace to you! **As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.**”*
    - → Disciples **are sent** in the same pattern and purpose as Christ.

**Finally:** Scripture teaches that true disciples are Christ’s sent continuation—His **life**, **work**, and **mission** are expressed through His body (the true church) today.

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### SLIDE 29

#### Part 1:3 — The Importance of Discipleship in the Church

- Discipleship is not optional—it is Christ's method for building, maturing, and multiplying His Church.
  - **Ephesians 4:12–13 (NKJV)** “...for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ...”
  - **Colossians 1:28 (NKJV)** “Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.”
  - **2 Timothy 2:2 (NKJV)** “...commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”

### SLIDE 30

#### 1. Fulfilling the Great Commission — The Church remains mission-focused by obeying Christ's command to make disciples in the power of the Holy Spirit.

- Obedience to Jesus' command - **John 14:15 (NKJV)** “If you love Me, keep My commandments.”
- Keeps the church focused on mission — **Acts 1:8 (NKJV)** “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

## SLIDE 31

### 2. Spiritual Growth and Maturity

- Growth in faith, knowledge, and Christlike character
  - **Ephesians 4:13-15 (NKJV)** - *“till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; 14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, 15 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head--Christ--.”*
- Mentorship and accountability — Disciples grow through God-ordained relationships where truth is modeled, progress is examined, and faith is reproduced.
  - **Proverbs 27:17 (NKJV)** *“As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.”*
    - → Mutual sharpening through accountable relationships.
  - **Hebrews 3:12–13 (NKJV)** *“...exhort one another daily... lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.”*
    - → Ongoing accountability guards spiritual health.
  - **2 Timothy 2:2 (NKJV)** *“...commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”*
    - → Mentorship that multiplies maturity and faithfulness.

## SLIDE 32

### 3. Deepening Relationship with Christ — A disciple deepens in Christ not by proximity to ministry, but by abiding, walking, and drawing near to Him daily.

- Abiding in Him
  - **John 15:5 (NKJV)** - *“I am the vine, you [are] the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.”*
- Drawing strength, wisdom, and purpose

- **Isaiah 40:31 (NKJV)** *“But those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength...”*
- → Strength flows from dependence on God.

## SLIDE 33

### 4. Empowering for Service

Ephesians 4:12 (NKJV) - *“For the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.”*

- Discovering and using spiritual gifts
  - **Romans 12:6 (NKJV)** *“Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them...”*
- Moving from Passive Attendance to Active Service
  - **James 1:22 (NKJV)** - *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”*

Discipleship empowers believers to discover their gifts and move from merely attending church to actively serving Christ’s body.

## SLIDE 34

### 5. Building a Strong, Unified Church

- **Colossians 3:16 (NKJV)** – *“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”*
  - Culture of love, accountability, unity
  - Connected and aligned members
- **Ephesians 4:1-3 (NKJV)** – *“I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, 2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, 3 endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.”*

## SLIDE 35

### 6. Multiplication of Leaders

- Raising leaders who disciple others: **2 Timothy 2:2 (NKJV)** – *“And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”*
- Ensures long-term growth and health
  - **Acts 2:42 (NKJV)** - *“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship...”*
    - → Persevering discipleship produces a healthy, enduring church.
  - Sustained discipleship keeps the Church rooted in Christ, growing in maturity, and healthy for generations.

## SLIDE 36

### 7. Transforming the World

- Living out the gospel in daily life
- Influencing society with truth and love
  - **Matthew 5:16 (NKJV)** - *“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.”*

## SLIDE 37

### Key Takeaway

- Salvation is free; discipleship is costly (Luke 9:23)
  - **Luke 9:23 (NKJV)** – *“Then He said to [them] all, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.”*

## **Module 1: Part 4**

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### **Slide 41 Identifying God's Calling on You (In Relation to Discipleship)**

**\*\*\*Discerning God's calling in the area of discipleship is vital because it aligns your unique gifts, experiences, and passions with His mission to make disciples\*\*\***

### **Slide 43 Key Steps to help identify God's calling in relation to Discipleship**

#### **1. Seek God in Prayer**

- Begin by asking God to reveal His purpose for you in discipleship
- *James 1:5* promises, "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him"
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#### **2. Reflect on Your Spiritual Gifts**

- Your spiritual gifts often indicate how God has equipped you to disciple others
- Gifts such as teaching, encouragement, shepherding, or leadership can guide your approach to discipleship (*Romans 12:6-8; 1 Peter 4:10*)

#### **3. Examine Your Life Experiences**

- God often uses your life experiences, both victories and challenges, to shape your calling.
- Reflect on how your journey can help others grow in their faith (*2 Corinthians 1:3-4*)

#### **4. Engaged with Scripture**

- God's Word provides the framework for discipleship
- Verses such as Matthew 28:19-20, John 13:34-35, and 2 Timothy 2:2 provide guidance on the principles and responsibilities of making disciples.

#### **5. Serve and Observe**

- Take small steps to engage in discipleship
- Join a Bible study group, mentor a new believer, or lead in a ministry setting
- Often, your calling becomes clear as you serve and see where God's grace flows through you effectively (*Colossians 3:23-24*)

#### **6. Listen to Godly Counsel**

- Seek insight from mature believers or spiritual leaders who know you well
- Proverbs 15:22 says, "Without counsel, plans go awry, but in the multitude of counsellors they are established"
- Trusted mentors can help you discern God's calling

#### **7. Pay Attention to Your Passion**

- What burdens your heart?
- Are you drawn to teaching, mentoring youth, evangelism, or fostering community?
- God often stirs passion in areas where He calls us to serve (*Philippians 2:13*)

#### **8. Remain Open to Growth**

- Discipleship is not static—it requires continual growth in Christ (*2 Peter 3:18*)
- Trust God to refine your calling over time and prepare you for greater impact

**Identifying God's call in discipleship is about aligning your unique gifts, experiences, and passions with His mission. By seeking God's guidance, serving faithfully, and remaining open to His leading, you can find your role in building His kingdom and helping others grow in their walk with Christ.**