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# Introduction:



Vision Statement:

Making the vision clear

Mission Statement:

Values Statement:

Troubling Statistics:

Problems and Solutions:

Benefits of Disciple Making:

Ways to Join the Team:

## Jesus is the Definition of Discipleship The Great Commission:

Power of the Great Commission:

Obeying the Great Commission

The Great Empowerment:

The Great Eternal Purpose and Appointment:

## Definition of Discipleship:



Definition of a Discipleship:

Following Jesus’ Example

Jesus is our Mission, Method, Model and Movement:

Being Professional versus Being Obedient:

Discipleship Vocabulary in the Epistles:

Discipleship involves Walking:

Discipleship involves Doing:

Discipleship involves Giving:

Discipleship involves “Fishing for Men:”

Discipleship is Relational Spheres of Influence:

Discipleship is Multiplication:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| *Year* | *Addition* | *Multiplication* |
| 1 | 365 | 2 |
| 2 | 750 | 4 |
| 3 | 1095 | 8 |
| 4 | 1460 | 16 |
| 5 | 1825 | 32 |
| 6 | 3650 | 1024 |
| 7 | 4015 | 2048 |
| 8 | 4380 | 4096 |
| 9 | 4745 | 8192 |
| 10 | 5110 | 16384 |
| 15 | 5475 | 32768 |

Multiplication Methodology

Discipleship is a Leveled Process:

Discipleship Values:

## Models of Discipleship:



Four Callings of Jesus Discipleship Model:

Pursuing a Process of Spiritual Maturity

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Spiritual Productivity Discipleship Model:

Church Growth Process Discipleship Model:

Engage, Establish, Equip, Empower Discipleship Model:

Reach out, Plug in, Build up, and Send out Discipleship Model:

Discovering, Growing, Equipping, Reproducing Discipleship Model:

Win, Build, Send Model:

Apostle John’s Model of Spiritual Maturity Discipleship Model:

1. Infants (*τεκνον*) =
2. Children (*παιδίον*) =
3. Youth (*νεανίσκος*) =
4. Adults (*παιδίον*) =

Disciple Making Ministries’ Discipleship Model of Spiritual Maturity:

1. Unbeliever
2. Infant
3. Child
4. Youth
5. Adult
6. Parent
7. Grand Parent

Discipleship is Movement through Locked Levels of Spiritual Maturity:

## Keys to Discipleship:



Goal of Multiplying Fruit:

Focusing on Smaller and Deeper

The Smaller the More Effective:

Balancing Personal with Corporate Discipleship:

The Root Comes Before the Fruit:

Thinking Comes Before Behavior:

Discover what is Unseen:

Moving towards Intentionality:

Building Strong Foundations:

Teacher must be Ahead of the Student:

Seek Reliable and Qualified Students:

How to Choose Students:

Having a Holistic Approach to Discipleship:

Vary the Methods of Discipleship:

What happens if the Process is stopped?

Building upon Previous Success:

## Jesus is the Definition of Discipleship Evaluation of Discipleship:

Evaluating Success in Discipleship:

Obedience to Jesus commands

Evaluating Church in Discipleship:

# Level 1: Unbeliever Phase



## Introduction:

Becoming Spiritually Born Again

Characteristics of the unbeliever:

* Rebellion and unbelief in Jesus
* Lack of humility and repentance
* Negative attitude to Jesus

Keys to unlock the level:

* Someone must invest in the unbeliever
* Build relational bridges for evangelism
* Clearly present the gospel
* Concisely share your personal testimony of faith

## Spiritual New Birth Precedes Spiritual Truth:

* You must be born again in order to receive spiritual truth

## Engle’s Scale of Evangelism:

1. Decision to surrender to Jesus

-1. Acceptance of Christian truth about Jesus

-2. Understand implications of truth about Jesus

-3. Grasp truth about Jesus

-4. Investigating Jesus

-5. Interested in Jesus

-6. Contact with Christians

-7. Some awareness of God

-8. No awareness of God

## Gray’s Matrix of Spiritual Awareness:

## Roles and Responsibilities in Evangelism:

Role of the Evangelist:

Role of the Holy Spirit:

## Relational Evangelism Chart:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Name  | Location | -8 | -7 | -6 | -5 | -4 | -3 | -2 | -1 | 0 |
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## Bridge Building Techniques:

## Bridge Building Scriptures:

## Gospel Presentations:

Question:

Transition:

Bad News 1:

Bad News 2:

Transition:

Good News 1:

Good New 2:

Question:

Transition:

Follow-up:

## Transition to the Spiritual Infant Level:

# Level 2: Spiritual Infant Phase



## Introduction:

Baptisms and Knowing God

Characteristics of the spiritual infant:

* Understanding of forgiveness of sin
* Ignorance of truth of the Bible
* Not able to spiritually feed oneself
* Dependent upon others for spiritual growth

Keys to unlock the level:

* Assurance of salvation
* Water baptism
* Life of Jesus
* Holy Spirit
* Names of God

## Foundational Bible Truths:

* Review Salvation
* Assurance of Salvation
* Victory over Sin
* Water Baptism
* Person and Works of the Holy Spirit
* Living in Community and Unity
* Sanctification for a Purpose

## Life of Jesus:

* Fulfilled Prophecies of Jesus
* Person of Jesus
* Miraculous Incarnation of Jesus
* Jesus Dedicated
* Jesus in the Father’s House
* Jesus Overcoming Temptation in the Desert
* Jesus Demonstrated Kingdom Power
* Jesus Preached Kingdom Message
* Jesus Transfigured
* Jesus Teaching in Parables
* Jesus Death and Resurrection
* Jesus Second Coming

## The Names and Nature of God:

* God Provides
* God Heals
* God our Victory
* God Sanctifies
* God our Peace
* God our Righteousness
* God of Hosts
* God our Shepherd
* God is always Present

## Water Baptism:

* What is water baptism?
* Why was Jesus water baptized?
* Why are new believers water baptized?

## Holy Spirit Baptism:

* Who is the Holy Spirit?
* What does the Holy Spirit do?
* What is baptism of the Holy Spirit?

## Introducing Spiritual Disciplines:

* What are spiritual disciplines?
* Why have spiritual disciplines?

## Transition to the Spiritual Child Level:

# Level 3: Spiritual Child Phase



## Introduction:

Grace, Community, Spiritual Disciplines

Characteristics of the spiritual child:

* Needs family, care, love, stability, routine…
* Needs teaching, reproof, correction and training in righteousness

Keys to unlock the level:

* Start spiritual disciplines
* Become grace empowered over sin
* Inclusion into Christian community
* Begin to exercise practical faith in community

## Beginner Spiritual Disciplines:

1. Begin Prayer
2. Begin Bible Study
3. Begin Journaling
4. Begin Fellowship
5. Begin Scripture Memory

## Connecting to Community:

* Body of Christ has many parts
* You are significant
* Others are significant
* Equal member care
* Parts work together
* Parts work through love
* Definition of love
* Practical ways to love
* Evaluate your relationships

## Connecting to God in Worship:

* Worship is not a religion
* Worship is connecting with God
* Worship is connecting with others
* We were born in the spirit
* To worship in spirit and truth
* Connecting to God with heart, mind, soul…
* Common errors about worship

## Grace Empowerment:

* Four definitions of grace
* Grace was Prophesied
* Jesus came full of grace and truth
* We have been saved by grace
* We have been justified by grace
* God’s grace is sufficient
* God’s grace is abounding
* God lavishes on us His riches of grace
* God heaps upon us grace upon grace
* God extends grace to the humble
* We have access Gods throne by grace
* God’s grace empowers
* God’s grace enriches
* God’s grace executes wonders
* God’s grace extends into eternity
* God’s grace secures inheritance
* God’s grace enlightens believers
* God’s grace connects to gifts
* God’s grace gifts humanity
* God’s grace gifts believers
* God’s grace gifts the church
* Where sin increased grace increased more
* Grace produces spiritual fruit

## Christian Character in Community:

* God designed us for godliness
* Godliness is profitable
* List of sins from 1 Corinthians
* List of sins from Galatians
* List of sins from Ephesians
* List of sins from Colossians
* Seven building blocks of character
* Love in community
* Making sure your calling

## Additional Christian Character Traits:

* Humbly submitted
* Biblically formed
* Relationally healthy
* Morally discerning
* Sacrificially generous
* More Christian character traits
* Seven steps towards obedience

## Practical Faith:

* Listening to God
* Developing discernment
* Remaining spiritually focused
* Responding to God’s calling
* Submitting to God
* Dealing with suffering
* Submitting to others
* Not judging others
* Resolving conflicts
* Forgiving rather than judging

## Identity in Christ for Beginners:

* Accepted in the beloved
* Blessed with all blessings
* Chosen in Him
* Delivered from darkness
* Elevated to heavenly places
* Forgiven from all sin
* God’s workmanship
* Healed by His stripes
* Innocent before Him in love
* Justified by faith
* Kept by the power of God
* Loved unconditionally
* More than a conqueror
* Not condemned
* Overcoming the world
* Predestined to sons of God
* Quickened together with Christ
* Redeemed from the curse of the law
* Sealed with the promised Holy Spirit
* To His praise
* Unto His glory
* Victorious through Jesus
* Washed in His blood
* Crucified with Christ
* Yoked together with believers
* Zealous of good works

## Introduction to Spiritual Gifts:

* Definition of spiritual gift
* Every believer has them
* God apportions them
* Gifts differ by God’s grace
* Gifts are for the common good
* How to discover your gifts
* Employ your gifts in serving

## Transition to the Spiritual Youth Level:

# Level 4: Spiritual Youth Phase

## IntroJesus is the Definition of Discipleship duction:

Characteristics of spiritual youth:

* Need to understand their identity

Identity in Christ and Spiritual Gifts

* Need to stand strong in purity
* Need to start overcoming the evil one
* Need to orient self to adulthood and spiritual productivity

Keys to unlock the level: (In Christ, Personal Purity, Spiritual Gifts,)

* Intermediate spiritual disciplines
* Identity in Christ
* Spiritual gifts
* Training of spiritual senses
* Personal purity

## Intermediate Spiritual Disciplines:

* Continue beginner spiritual disciplines
1. Begin Worship
2. Begin Service
3. Begin Confession and Communion
4. Begin Submission
5. Begin Personal Purity

## Meaning of Being in Christ:

* No condemnation
* Inseparable
* Triumphant
* New creation
* Spiritually alive
* Blessed, chosen and adopted
* Brought near to God
* Life hidden with Christ in God
* Fully resourced
* Members of one another
* Unified in the bond of peace
* Permanently connected
* Graced into the ages to come
* You are accepted in Christ
* You are secure in Christ
* You are significant in Christ

## Mechanics of Being in Christ

* Understanding the Mechanics
* Jesus is in the Father who is in Jesus
* Christ is in believers who are in Christ
* Believers are members with believers
* Reality of Persons and Realms
* Reality of Multiple Dimensions
* The Four Dimensional Love of God
* Raised and Seated in Heavenly Places

## Empowerment of Being in Christ

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| *You say:* | *God says:* | *Verse:* |
| It’s impossible. | All things are possible. |  |
| I’m too tired. | I will give you rest. |  |
| Nobody really loves me. | I love you. |  |
| I can’t go on. | My grace is sufficient for you. |  |
| I can’t figure things out. | I will direct your steps. |  |
| I can’t do this. | You can do all things. |  |
| I’m not able. | I am able. |  |
| It’s not worth it. | It will be worth it. |  |
| I can’t forgive myself. | I forgive you. |  |
| I’m afraid. | I have not given you a spirit of fear. |  |
| I’m always worried and frustrated. | Cast all your cares on Me. |  |
| I’m not smart enough. | I will give you wisdom. |  |
| I feel all alone. | I will never leave or forsake you. |  |
| I can’t manage. | I will supply all your needs in Christ. |  |

## Personal Purity and Setting Boundaries:

* Flee youthful lusts
* Cleansing and washing
* Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit
* God always provides an escape
* Created in the image of God
* Sexual purity
* Setting appropriate boundaries

## Discovering Your Spiritual Gift Matrix:



* Seven Redemptive Gifts from Romans 12
	+ Prophesying
	+ Serving
	+ Teaching
	+ Exhorting
	+ Giving
	+ Ruling
	+ Showing Mercy
* Nine Manifestation Gifts from 1 Corinthians 12
	+ Word of wisdom – balance with love
	+ Word of knowledge – balance with joy
	+ Faith – balance with peace
	+ Healings – balance with long suffering
	+ Miracles – balance with gentleness
	+ Prophecy – balance with goodness
	+ Distinguishing spirits – balance with faith
	+ Tongues – balance with meekness
	+ Interpretation of tongues – balance with temperance
* Five Managerial Gifts from Ephesians 4
	+ Apostle
	+ Prophet
	+ Evangelist
	+ Pastor
	+ Teacher

## Inductive Bible Study Method:

* Why inductive Bible study method?
* Priority of context
* Observation phase
* Interpretation phase
* Biblical tension
* Application phase
* Dealing with narrative
* Three levels of interpretation

## Introduction to Leadership and Character Traits:

* Submitting to leadership
* Elder character traits
* Deacon character traits
* Leaders must persevere
* Examine oneself before becoming a leader

## Introduction to Kingdom Leadership:

* Five managerial positions
* End goal of managerial positions
* Two church foundational positions
* Appointed order in the church
* Elders and deacons

## Transition to the Spiritual Adult Level:

# Level 5: Spiritual Adult Phase

## Introduction:Jesus is the Definition of Discipleship

Characteristics of spiritual adults

* Free from sin

Enter Spiritual World and Spiritual Warfare

* Stable in identity
* Becoming spiritual productive
* Engaging in spiritual warfare

Keys to unlock the level:

* Advanced spiritual disciplines
* Body Soul and Spirit
* Spiritual warfare
* Spiritual weapons
* Training spiritual senses

## Advanced Spiritual Disciplines:

* Continue intermediate and beginner spiritual disciplines
1. Begin simplicity and solitude
2. Begin stewardship
3. Begin meditation
4. Begin fasting
5. Begin spiritual warfare

## Body, Soul, Spirit Mechanics:

* You are wonderfully made
* You are made of spirit, soul and body
* Human spirit is multi-dimensional
* You were born of spirit
* Believers are one spirit with God
* Human spirit has been raised to right hand of God
* The Holy Spirit gives life
* God’s Spirit shines through the human spirit
* Human spirit has access to throne of God
* The word of God divides the human spirit and soul
* The human spirit can be defiled
* The soul needs to preserved
* Apostle John practiced being in the Spirit on the Lord’s day
* Jesus came to bind up the broken hearts
* Defilement is found in the heart
* Parable of the soils representing heart conditions
* Unbelievers are ruled by the flesh
* Believers are called to renew their minds
* Summary of the mechanics of body, soul and spirit

## Beginner Spiritual Warfare:

* We are in a spiritual battle
* There is an unseen world
* There are spiritual forces
* Humans interact with spiritual forces
* There is spiritual warfare with forces of darkness
* Know your enemy
* Know that Satan is a deceiver
* Know that Satan blinds the minds of unbelievers
* The enemy steals, kills and destroys with trauma
* Know your victory in Christ
* Know the devil does not own this world
* Know that God owns this world and gave it to humanity
* Know that the devil gives false offers
* Know that Jesus disarmed the rulers

## Beginner Spiritual Weapons:

* Full armor of God
* Belt of truth
* Breastplate of righteousness
* Shoes of the gospel of peace
* Helmet of salvation
* Shield of faith
* Sword of the Spirit
* Praying in the Spirit
* Being transformed by the renewing of your mind

## Intermediate Spiritual Warfare:

* Understanding your authority
* God rules through mankind
* Satan wants to rule through mankind
* We must pray for the will of God to be done
* We must prove the will of God
* We must wrestle against spiritual forces of darkness
* We must demonstrate the wisdom of God to spiritual forces
* We can break through the gates to return what was stolen
* Determine the source of your suffering

## Intermediate Spiritual Weapons:

* Jesus binds up the broken hearted
* Confession of sin
* Repentance of sin
* Remission of sin
* Renunciation of sin
* Forgiveness of sin
* Fasting for breakthroughs
* Claim the witness of the spirit, water and blood of Jesus Christ
* The Life is in the blood
* Additional intermediate spiritual weapons

## Eschatology:

* A theology of hope
* End times events outline
* Understanding judgment
* Understanding heaven
* Understanding kingdom

## Beginner Leadership Vision and Identity:

* Leadership requires vision
* What vision accomplishes
* Leading as servant leaders
* The greatest is the servant of all
* Leading as kings and priests
* Leading with courage
* Leading with strategy

## Transition to the Spiritual Parent Level:

# Level 6: Spiritual Parent Phase



## Introduction:

Kingdom of God and Priestly Role

Characteristics of spiritual parents:

* Seeking first the kingdom of God
* Starting to reproduce personal disciples
* Engaged in spiritual warfare through prayer

Keys to unlock the level:

* Identity of spiritual parenting
* Engaging in deliverance ministries
* Leadership development
* Kingdom of God expansion program
* Priestly role

## Spiritual Disciplines:

* Continue advanced, intermediate and beginner spiritual disciplines

## Kingdom of God:

* Kingdom of God and church differences
* Kingdom message of Jesus
* Kingdom inaugurated by Jesus
* Kingdom received by faith
* Kingdom in your midst
* Kingdom parables
* Kingdom possible with God
* Kingdom power over demons
* Kingdom expansion
* Kingdom proclamation
* Kingdom house filled
* Kingdom Passover fulfilled
* Defining the Kingdom of God
* God promised Israel blessings
* God promised Israel leadership

## Royal Priesthood Role:

* You are being built into a spiritual house
* You are a royal priesthood
* God has made us to be kings and priests
* Jesus preached the kingdom of God at hand
* Jesus called us to seek first His kingdom and righteousness
* Kingdom has power over demons and diseases
* Kingdom was purposed from the Old Testament
* Kingdom is a government consisting of King, the angels and humans
* Kingdom is wherever God rules
* Kingdom realms have been dimensionally breached
* Kingdom realms have layers or overlaps
* Kingdom subjects have citizenship, inheritance, authority, responsibility

## Spiritual Parenting Identity and Roles

* Disciple makers possess an identity as spiritual parents
* Spiritual parents have a stable relationship with God
* Spiritual parents are mature in their thinking
* Spiritual parents are able to establish and equip children in love
* Spiritual parents diligently labor forming Christ in spiritual children
* Spiritual parents exhort, encourage, implore spiritual children
* Spiritual parents teach spiritual children obedience and holiness
* Spiritual parents discipline spiritual children
* Spiritual parents admonish spiritual children
* Spiritual parents do not provoke or exasperate spiritual children
* Spiritual parents exercise good spiritual parenting skills

## Deliverance Symptoms:

Symptoms of possible demonic influence:

Roots of personal and generational sins:

Steps to remain free from sin and bondage:

## Deliverance Entry Portals:

* Works of the flesh are evident
* What creates spiritual bondage?
* Entry by invitation
* Entry by unforgiveness
* Entry by anger
* Entry by fear or anxiety
* Entry by stubbornness
* Entry by vain imagination
* Entry by negativity
* Entry by temptation
* Entry by intrusion
* Entry by deception
* Entry by empty mind
* Entry by generational curse
* Entry by word curse

## Deliverance Ten Step Plan:

1. Commit your life to Jesus as King
2. Ask the Holy Spirit for discernment
3. Confess your sin asking for forgiveness and cleansing
4. Yield that area of life over to the inheritance of Jesus
5. Declare that Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil
6. Accept spiritual authority granted by God
7. Command the evil spirit to be bound and evicted
8. Ask the Holy Spirit to reevaluate
9. Apply the living water to heal that area
10. Seal that area with the Holy Spirit

## Leadership originates from God:

* Discern your particular kingdom assignment from God
* God calls and appoints leaders
* God gifts leaders
* God assigns seasonal tasks to leaders
* God allows leaders to accept or reject assignments
* God exalts leaders at the proper time

## Leadership Strategy Implementation:

* Consider all the details
* Define stages of strategy
* Give right people the right amount of authority
* Plan for long term sustainability
* Reject ineffective ideas

## Leadership Development:

* Be cautious of appointing leaders
* Test potential leaders beforehand
* Choose people appointed by God
* Choose people of character
* Choose people who are enlightened
* Choose people close to Christ
* Choose people who can equip others
* Evaluate potential leaders with probing questions
* Consider these: character, competency and compatibility

## Developing Leadership Accountability Partnerships:

* Definition of accountability
* Finding an accountability partner
* Accountability questions that you can ask

## Transition to the Spiritual Grandparent Level:

# Level 7: Spiritual Grandparent Phase

## Jesus is the Definition of Discipleship Introduction:

Characteristics of spiritual grandparents:

* Role of influencing
* Role of stabilizing

Spiritual Overseeing and Evaluation

* Role of partnering
* Role of vision casting
* Role of spiritual formation
* Role of coaching
* Advanced spiritual warfare

Keys to unlock the level:

* Leadership modeling
* Establish and oversee elders and deacons
* Praying ministry
* Healings ministry
* Miracles ministry

## Spiritual Disciplines:

* Continue advanced, intermediate and beginner spiritual disciplines

## Apostolic Prayers:

* Prayer from Ephesians 1:17-23
* Prayer from Ephesians 3:14-21
* Prayer from Philippians 1:9-11
* Prayer from Colossians 1:9-14
* Prayer from 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12
* Prayer from 2 Thessalonians 3:1-3

## Advanced Leadership Principles:

Leadership Influencing Role:

Leadership Stabilizing Role:

Leadership Vision Casting Role:

Leadership Spiritual Formation Role:

Leadership Coaching Role:

Leadership Evaluating Role:

## Advanced Spiritual Warriors:

* Nine names of heavenly hosts
* Authority levels of evil spirits
* Various names of spiritual enemies
* Names of some principalities
* Wrestling against demons
* Wrestling against fallen angels
* Wrestling against hybrids
* Inviting heavenly hosts of God to battle
* Using divinely powerful weapons to destroy spiritual fortresses
* God’s advanced spiritual weapons
* More advanced spiritual weapons
* God rules with a rod of iron

## Territorial Spiritual Warfare:

* Territorial dominion of mankind
* God gave the earth to mankind
* Degrees of spiritual maturity
* Degrees of spiritual authority

## Advanced Deliverance Prayers:

Deliverance Prayer from Freemasonry:

Deliverance Prayer from Principalities:

## Dealing with Dissociative Identity Disorder:

## Transition to the Evaluation Level:

# Appendix A: Scriptural Prayers

Disciple makers may empower their ministries through the prayers and words of the apostles. We believe these prayers and words are designed to be repeated. By praying the Scriptures we align ourselves with the Word and will of God. We have discovered that these kinds of prayers result in greater spiritual power and fruit bearing.

## Apostolic Prayer: Ephesians 1:17-23

*Lord, I come before you today asking that the Father of glory would give me a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus Christ, that the eyes of my heart would be enlightened and that I would know the hope of your calling and the riches of the glory of your inheritance in the saints; and that I would know the surpassing greatness of your power toward all who believe in accordance to the working of your mighty strength that you have brought about in Christ when you raised Him from the dead and seated Him at your right hand in the heavenly places far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and every name in this and every age. For, you have placed all things under Jesus’ feet and made Him as head over all things to the church which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all things in everything. Amen.*

## Apostolic Prayer: Ephesians 3:14-21

*Lord, I come and bow my knee before the heavenly Father from whom the whole family in heaven and on earth derives their name. I pray that you would grant me according to the riches of your glory to be strengthened with your power through your Spirit in my inner man so that Christ may dwell in my heart through faith and that I would be rooted and grounded in love to comprehend together with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge in order that I would be filled up to all the fullness of God. Now unto Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond everything that I ask or even think, according to the power that works within me, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.*

## Apostolic Prayer: Colossians 1:9-14

*Father, I pray that you would fill me with knowledge of your will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding so that I would walk in a manner worthy of the Lord to please you in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power, according to your glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience in joy and giving thanks unto the Father for qualifying me to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light. I give thanks that you rescued me from the domain of darkness and transferred me to the kingdom of your beloved Son in whom I now have redemption, the forgiveness of my sins. Amen.*

## Apostolic Prayer: Philippians 1:9-11

*And this I pray, that my love may abound still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment, so that I may approve the things that are excellent in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ; having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. Amen.*

## Apostolic Prayer: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

*Lord, to this end I pray that you will count me worthy of my calling and that you will fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith with power, so that the name of the Lord Jesus will be glorified through me according to the grace of God and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## Apostolic Prayer: 2 Thessalonians 3:1-3

*Finally, I pray for my family and community that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified and that we will be rescued from perverse and evil men who have no faith. But, the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect me from the evil one. Amen.*

# Appendix B: Protection and Deliverance Prayers

## Prayer of Spiritual Protection:

*Heavenly Father, I bow before you in humility. I enter into your gates with thanksgiving and into your courts with praise. You are worthy of praise, because you are holy, righteous and just. I come to you asking for your protection. I plead the blood of Jesus over everything under my stewardship including myself, spouse, children, dwelling, finances, transportation and ministries and seal everything with the Holy Spirit. I request that your heavenly hosts would be put on assignment to guard everything under my stewardship from all entry points. I ask your heavenly hosts to apprehend, bind, discomfort, and dispel all malevolent spirits to where Jesus would send them. I pray all attempts at demonic communication and influence would be rendered powerless and reversed upon that heads of the senders sevenfold that they would know that Jesus is Lord. Now, I put on the full armor of God that includes the belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the shoes of the preparation of the gospel of peace, the helmet of salvation, the shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit praying in the Spirit as commanded. I deed all territory under my stewardship over to the kingdom of God for Jesus Christ to rule over with His rod of iron. Thank you for being my refuge and my fortress today. I pray in Jesus' name, Amen.*

## Prayer of Spiritual Deliverance:

*Lord, I enter your gates with thanksgiving and your courts with praise, blessing your name (Psalm 100:4). I receive the grace of God through faith (Ephesians 2:8-9) and declare that in Christ I am a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17). I acknowledge that I was baptized with the Holy Spirit (Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; Acts 2:38), and I now ask Him to appraise all territory under my stewardship and to reveal areas that need to be yielded to Jesus Christ (Matthew 13:1-23; 1 Corinthians 2:12-16; Hebrews 6:4-8). I confess and turn away from those sins (1 John 1:9-10), claim forgiveness by grace (Luke 23:34; Acts 26:18; Romans 4:7-8; Ephesians 1:7; Colossians 1:13-14, 2:13-14), and apply the cleansing blood of Jesus over all those areas (Hebrews 9:22; 1 John 1:7). I renounce the hidden things of shame and turn away from them forever (2 Corinthians 4:12). I take up the Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God (Ephesians 6:17), divide the thoughts and intentions of my heart (Hebrews 4:12) and cut myself free from all spiritual bondages, prisons and strongholds (Luke 4:18; 2 Corinthians 10:4), thereby destroying the works of the devil (1 John 3:8). I open the floodgates of living water from deep within releasing healing influence into that territory (2 Chronicles 7:14; Matthew 8:7, 8:13, 9:35, 10:8, 12:15, 15:28, Luke 9:1-2; 10:9; John 4:10-14; John 7:37-38). I seal those wounds with the seal of the Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 1:22: Ephesians 1:13). I yield that territory over to the inheritance of Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Galatians 5:20-21; Ephesians 1:14, 1:18, 5:5; Colossians 3:24; Hebrews 6:12, 9:15; 1 Peter 1:4; Revelations 21:7). Now I enter into the holy of holies to approach the throne of grace with confidence (Hebrews 4:6). I sit down on the assigned seat beside Jesus (Ephesians 1:20, 2:6) who is seated at the right hand of the Father (Hebrews 8:1). Now I rest in the presence of the King of kings (Hebrews 4:3-11) to whom belongs all dominion and rule and authority (1 Peter 4:11; 5:11; Jude 25; Revelation 1:6) and enjoy my position as adopted son of God (Romans 8:17; Galatians 3:29, 4:7; Ephesians 3:6; James 2:5) and as a royal priest (Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:1-14, 6:19-20; 7:23-28; 10:19-25; 12:28-29; 13:15-16; 1 Peter 2:4-5, 2:9-10; Revelation 1:4-6, 5:9-10, 20:6). From this position of granted authority I align myself with God’s kingdom expansion program on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10; 6:33; 7:21; 10:7; 13:11; 13:24-30; 13:31-32; 13:33; 13:44; 13:45-46; 13:47-50; 18:1-6; 18:23-35; 19:16-30; 20:1-16). In Jesus’ name, Amen.*

# Appendix C: Assessment for Followers of Jesus

To what degree are you a disciple of Jesus Christ? Answer the questions below according to where you see yourself now, not where you think you should be, or where you would like to be in the future. Put a mark in the column most true of you.

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|  | Certain |  |  |  | Uncertain |
| 1. **Response to Christ’s call**
 |  |  |  |  |  |
| * I believe that Jesus is the Son of God who died and rose again for me, and there is no other way to God except through Him.
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| * I have answered Christ’s call to “repent and believe”, and know my sins have been forgiven.
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| * There is a definite time when I asked Jesus to come into my life as Savior and Lord.
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| * I have followed Jesus through the waters of baptism.
 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Always | Usually | Sometimes | Seldom | Never |
| 1. **Spiritual Growth**
 |  |
| * I set aside time each day to be alone with God in prayer, Bible reading and meditation.
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| * My times include praise, adoration, worship, thanksgiving, confession, praying for others, and for God’s work.
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| * I also practice speaking with God throughout the day.
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| * As well as daily Bible reading I spend at least one hour per week in serious Bible study.
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| * Over the past year I have memorized a verse of Scripture each week.
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| 1. **Lordship of Christ**
 |  |
| * I let Christ’s control come over what I read, hear, watch and think about.
 |  |  |  |  |  |
| * I submit my body to Christ’s control in what I eat, in self-discipline and exercise, and in keeping morally pure.
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| * I clearly show to those I live and work with my Christian commitment by my words, attitudes and actions.
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| * I am more concerned to win God’s approval in what I do than to win the approval of others.
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| * The fruit of the Spirit (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control) is clearly seen in my life.
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| 1. **Fellowship**
 |  |
| * I meet at least weekly with other Christians for all of the following – worship, teaching, ministry, prayer and fellowship.
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| * I am sharing and relating each week with a small group of Christians for mutual encouragement, up-building and support.
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| * As far as it depends upon me I try to live in harmony and unity with other Christians demonstrating the qualities of love, acceptance and forgiveness.
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|  | Always | Usually | Sometimes | Seldom | Never |
| 1. **Service**
 |  |
| * I take active part in the life and ministries of my church.
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| * I am using the spiritual gifts God has given me to build others up.
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| * I seek each week to help, encourage, or perform a kind deed to help other Christians.
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| * I am regularly giving at least one tenth of my income towards God’s work.
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| 1. **Witness**
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| * I am praying each week for the conversion of at least one non-Christian by name.
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| * I have tried to build friendship and reach out to at least one non-Christian person over the last month.
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| * I have been able to share my faith with a non-Christian in some way over the past month.
 |  |  |  |  |  |
| * I clearly show to those I live and work with my Christian commitment by my words, attitudes and actions.
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| * Over the past month I have helped to influence, encourage, disciple or train at least one other person to follow Jesus more fully.
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| 1. **Scoring**
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| Add your marks from each column: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Multiply your score by these numbers: | X4 | X3 | X2 | X1 | X0 |
| Write your new totals: |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| ADD YOUR FINAL TOTAL: |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. **Self-Evaluation**
 |
| Score: | Comments: |
| 0-24 | Your following is very weak at present. Perhaps you are a new Christian or have not yet really started. Are you prepared to clearly answer Jesus’ call and become His disciple? |
| 25-49 | You have made a beginning in some areas, but your following is still loose and distant. Jesus is calling you to follow Him more closely. |
| 50-74 | You have made some good progress as a follower of Jesus. But don’t become a half-hearted follower. There is much more growing for you in some important areas of discipleship. |
| 75-100 | You are well on the way as a follower of Jesus, but keep on going! There are still important steps ahead for you. |

Write below what Jesus is saying to you through this self-evaluation. In what areas do you need to grow?

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# Appendix D: Discipleship Evaluation for Churches

To what degree is your church a “disciple-making church”? This questionnaire helps leaders evaluate their church’s discipleship activities. Answer each statement as accurately as possible. Don’t overrate or underrate your church.

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| *Instructions: Place a check mark in the appropriate column 1, 2, 3, or 4.* | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| **PREACHING AND TEACHING LEVEL:** |
| How clearly do the members of your congregation understand that the call of Jesus is for us to be “disciples” and not simply “believers”?  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. All know
 | 1. Most know
 | 1. Some know
 | 1. Few know
 |
| How clearly do the members of your congregation understand what being a disciple means? Do they understand the meaning, the call and the cost of discipleship? |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Clearly understand
 | 1. Mostly understand
 | 1. Partially understand
 | 1. Little understand
 |
| How clearly do the members of your congregation know and understand the 3 conditions of discipleship taught by Jesus in Luke 14:25-33 (Jesus first over my relationships, my rights, and my resources). |  |  |  |  |
| 1. All know
 | 1. Most know
 | 1. Some know
 | 1. Few know
 |
| How clearly do the members of your congregation know and understand in practical terms the 5 principles essential for growing disciples – the Holy Spirit’s ministry in their lives, regular feeding on the Word, personal prayer and worship, fellowship with other believers, being active in witness, service and ministry? |  |  |  |  |
| 1. All know
 | 1. Most know
 | 1. Some know
 | 1. Few know
 |
| How clearly do the members of your congregation know and understand in practical terms what it means to live under Christ’s Lordship in personal life, family life, and in daily work? |  |  |  |  |
| 1. All know
 | 1. Most know
 | 1. Some know
 | 1. Few know
 |
| How often are these discipleship themes preached and touched on as an emphasis from the pulpit? |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Regularly
 | 1. Monthly
 | 1. Every 3 Months
 | 1. Every 6 Months
 |
| **LEADERSHIP LEVEL:** |
| A disciple-making church will have the primary objective of “making disciples” clearly built into its vision or purpose statement. How clearly is “disciple-making” emphasized in your purpose statement? |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Core purpose
 | 1. Part of purpose
 | 1. Acknowledged
 | 1. Not stated
 |
| A disciple-making church is one that is not only committed to making disciples in its vision and purpose, but has a leadership that is committed to it and modeling it. How clearly are your leaders modeling discipleship by their own example and commitment to the disciple-making process? |  |  |  |  |
| 1. All modeling
 | 1. Most modeling
 | 1. Some modeling
 | 1. Few modeling
 |
| How clearly is the disciple-making vision and strategy of your church communicated and emphasized to your congregation verbally and in written form? |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Constantly
 | 1. Often
 | 1. Occasionally
 | 1. Rarely
 |
| **OUTREACH FOCUS:** |
| Our church emphasizes the responsibility of every believer to be involved in witness, life-style evangelism, and caring ministries in the local community. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Constantly
 | 1. Often
 | 1. Occasionally
 | 1. Rarely
 |
| Our church provides services, outreach programs and caring ministries designed to reach out in love to people in the local community. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Constantly
 | 1. Often
 | 1. Occasionally
 | 1. Rarely
 |
| Our church has built into its budget a financial commitment to give to outside missions the following percentage of its annual budget. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Over 20%
 | 1. 10-20%
 | 1. 5-10%
 | 1. Less than 5%
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|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| **DISCIPLE-MAKING STRUCTURES:** |
| Our church has a clear system of follow-up and nurture for new Christians. Mature believers are trained and committed to take converts individually or in small groups through a prepared series of studies covering the essential foundations o the Christian life. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Happening
 | 1. Usually
 | 1. Sometimes
 | 1. Rarely
 |
| Our church goes beyond just discipleship for new Christians but also encourages all members to participate in regular discipleship training through small group structures that encourage them to grow further into mature disciples of Jesus. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Happening
 | 1. Usually
 | 1. Sometimes
 | 1. Rarely
 |
| Our church has training groups operating that train and equip people in the areas of personal witness and evangelism. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Happening
 | 1. Usually
 | 1. Sometimes
 | 1. Rarely
 |
| Our church has discipleship training groups in operation that train and equip people in how to nurture new Christians and how to disciple and mentor others. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Happening
 | 1. Usually
 | 1. Sometimes
 | 1. Rarely
 |
| Our church through its small group structures is clearly training believers in how to become disciples themselves, and then showing them how to make disciples of others. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Strongly
 | 1. Moderately
 | 1. Weakly
 | 1. Not at all
 |
| **SMALL GROUP PARTICIPATION IN THE CHURCH** |
| Of the total number of people that belong to our church, the following percentage are also committed to regularly meeting in small groups: |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Over 75%
 | 1. 50-75%
 | 1. 25-50%
 | 1. Less than 25%
 |
| Of the total number of small group meetings in our church, the following have a clear discipleship training focus and follow a specific discipleship training curriculum: |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Over 75%
 | 1. 50-75%
 | 1. 25-50%
 | 1. Less than 25%
 |
| Of the total number of people belonging to our church the following percentage are involved in small groups with a discipleship training focus: |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Over 75%
 | 1. 50-75%
 | 1. 25-50%
 | 1. Less than 25%
 |
| TOTAL marks (for each column on these two pages): |  |  |  |  |
| MULTIPLY each column by: | X5 | X4 | X2 | X1 |
| NEW TOTALS: |  |  |  |  |
| YOUR FINAL SCORE (add totals of columns 1-4): |  |  |  |  |

You may write some notes below and interpret your score on the following page:

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| Score | Comments |
| 20-40 | Your church may be doing many good things, but your disciple-making focus is very weak. But don’t be discouraged! You may not be able to change the whole system. Like Jesus begin with a small discipleship training group. Begin planting seeds and see them grow. Jesus began with a small group and changed the world! You can do the same to change your church. |
| 40-60 | Your church has areas where there is a general awareness of some disciple-making purpose. But, it is not very strong or clearly focused. You may be strong in other areas of ministry. You may even be regarded as a “successful” church. But, how much better it would be to become “successful” in the primary purpose for which God has called you. Take steps to put intentional discipleship training into the life of your church. Don’t just evangelize and maintain believers, make disciples! |
| 60-80 | Your church has some strengths and a disciple-making purpose is coming through in some areas. You can be encouraged by this. But don’t be content to stay where you are now. Encourage those areas that are already focused on “making disciples” and try to refocus and strengthen the weaker areas to bring them into line with God’s primary purpose for you. You’re on the way, so commit yourself even more strongly to be a disciple making church. |
| 80-100 | Your church is already moving strongly in the disciple-making purpose that God has for you. So, be encouraged! But, don’t be content to stay at the level you have reached. There are still important steps ahead for you. So, keep on going. Strengthen even further your resolve to be the disciple-making church that God is calling you to be and God’s blessing will be richly upon you. |

What do you think the Head of the church might be saying through the questionnaire? In what areas can you begin to take some action to strengthen your disciple-making church activities? Pray then write specific growth steps below:

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# Appendix E: Leadership Readiness Assessment

Indicate the extent to which you agree with each of the below statements, using the following scale:

*1, disagree strongly; 2, disagree; 3, neutral; 4, agree; 5, agree strongly.*

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| 1. It is enjoyable to have people count on me for ideas and suggestions.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 2. It would be accurate to say that I have inspired other people.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 3. It’s a good practice to ask people provocative questions about their work.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 4. It’s easy for me to compliment others.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 5. I like to cheer people up even when my own spirits are down.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 6. What my team accomplishes is more important than my personal glory.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 7. Many people imitate my ideas.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 8. Building team spirit is important to me.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 9. I would enjoy coaching other members of the team.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 10. It is important to me to recognize others for their accomplishments.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 11. I would enjoy entertaining visitors to my firm even if it interfered with my completing a report.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 12. It would be fun for me to represent my team at gatherings outside our unit.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 13. The problems of my teammates are my problems too.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 14. Resolving conflict is an activity I enjoy.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 15. I would cooperate with another unit in the organization even if I disagreed with the position taken by its members.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 16. I am an idea generator on the job.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 17. It is fun for me to bargain whenever I have the opportunity.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 18. Team members listen to me when I speak.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 19. People have asked me to assume the leadership of an activity several times in my life.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 20. I have always been a convincing person.  | 1 2 3 4 5 |
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| Scoring and Interpretation: Total score: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Calculate your total score by adding the numbers circled. A tentative interpretation of the scoring is as follows:  |  |
| High readiness for the leadership role  | 90–100: |
| Moderate readiness for the leadership role  | 60–89: |
| Some uneasiness with the leadership role  | 40–59: |
| Low readiness for the leadership role  | 39 - less: |

If you are already a successful leader and you scored low on this questionnaire, ignore your score. If you scored surprisingly low and you are not yet a leader, or are currently performing poorly as a leader, study the statements carefully. Consider changing your attitude or your behavior so that you can legitimately answer more of the statements with a 4 or a 5. Studying the rest of this text will give you additional insights that may be helpful in your development as a leader.