

Steps - Discipleship

Those who come to Christ through our church plants need to be discipled. Christ calls us not to make converts but disciples. What are the essential characteristics of a mature disciple in our European contexts? What are the tools we have at our disposal for effective discipleship? A church where disciples are growing in love, faith, obedience is a sign of current health and future fruitfulness.

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I. Introduction – *“...every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly...”*

Eph.4:16 - *“From whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.”*

II. Who does the equipping

A. Servant leaders

B. Repenting Leaders

C. Leaders who lead with knowledge and discernment

III. Who gets equipped?

A. Elders

B. Deacons

C. Volunteers

D. Staff

IV. Teams

- A. Three types of teams
- B. Working well together
- C. Disagreeing well
- D. Setting expectations
- E. Meetings

V. Projects

- A. What is a project?
- B. How to manage a project in a church context
- C. When the dust settles

VI. Vision

- A. What is a vision?
- B. How to cast a vision?
- C. How to keep the vision?
- D. When to adjust the vision?

Suggested Readings: