

The "HOW" of the Disciple-Making

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The Vision

Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me. (Colossians 1:28-29 ESV)



You can become a Christian in a moment, but not a mature Christian. Christ can enter, cleanse, and forgive you in a matter of seconds, but it will take much longer for your character to be transformed and molded to his will.

It takes only a few minutes for a bride and bridegroom to be married, but in the rough-and-tumble of their home it may take many years for two strong wills to be dovetailed into one. So when we receive Christ, a moment of commitment will lead to a life-time of adjustment. John Stott, Basic Christianity





Perhaps pastors should imagine that they are going to have three more years in their parish as pastor and that there will be no replacement for them when they leave.

If they acted as if this were going to happen, they would put the highest priority on selecting, motivating, and training lay leaders that could carry on as much as possible of the mission of the parish after they left.

The results of three sustained years of such an approach would be quite significant. Even revolutionary.

George Martin, Today's Parish

How to Start?

Prayer

Screening (availability, teachability)

Personal invitations

Define expectations

^{small}number



Car Illustration



Intentional Leader

Environment

How people **learn**?

*Real-Life Discipleship Training Manual: Equipping Disciples Who Make Disciples





Without a curriculum ...

- you do not have a plan
- you cannot be intentional
- you do not have a transferable tool
- you do not know if you are making

progress

• you will not have a structure

Ingredients

- Bible study
- Prayer
- Leadership rotation
- Active participation for all
- Humor
- Flexibility
- Discipline



Poisons

- Boring Bible study
- Discussions without substance
- Persons which monopolize the discussion
- Lack of honesty or reality anchoring
- Criticism
- Food



Evaluation. Rationale

- Relationships
- Spiritual growth
- Personal life change
- Springboard to fruitful ministry



My Story

HIS Story...









