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| Nations Church Houston takes seriously the task of making disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20). This is the life-calling of every believer and the supernatural work of the Holy Spirit within us. Yet, how does a believer disciple the nations if our languages are not the same?  The answer is let the Bible, God’s Word, speak for us. Two believers of different nationality can sit side-by- side and point through the following scriptures, allowing the Holy Spirit to speak even when we cannot!    What is the goal of discipleship?  The goal is spiritual maturity in Christ.  What are the marks of spiritual maturity? Obedience to God’s Word AND spiritual reproduction.    Some believers have been following Christ for many years, obeying the things they have read, but have yet to invest in someone in order to reproduce spiritually.  For many, the reason is they simply do not know the path to making reproducing disciples. Below is a suggested path to teaching others to follow Jesus Christ. These are basic topics that can be done simply through reading and discussion. Consider taking this path of reproducing disciple-making.  Instill in your disciple the vision and goal of being a disciple-maker as well. Watch the Lord use you to see many generations of disciples flow!  **1.**Why Discipleship?   * Matthew 22:37-39 * John 15:9-15 * Matthew 28:16-20 * II Timothy 2:2 * Matthew 4:18-22   **2.** Assurance of Salvation.   ​What if I sin?   * John 3:16 * I John 5:13 * Hebrews 13:5 * Ephesians 1:13 * Psalm 66:18 * Psalm 103:11-12 * I John 1:9 * Prepare 5minute Testimony   **3.** Growing in Christ as a new believer   * II Corinthians 5:16-17 (New Creation) * Colossians 3:9-10 (New Creation) * Matthew 28:16-20 (New life purpose) * James 5:19-20 (New life purpose) * Oikos Map (Greek for Household) * Mark 3:31-35 (New family) * Hebrews 10:24-25 (New family)   **4.**Baptism   * Romans 6:1-11 * Matthew 28:16-20 * Mark 1:9-11 * Colossians 2:12 * Galatians 3:27-28 * Write a short salvation testimony on a 3x5 card that can be read during baptism. Testimony should be no longer than the amount of space available on the front and back of the 3x5 index card.   **5.** God’s Word our spiritual food   * Hebrews 4:12 * John 1:1-5, 10, 14 * Matthew 24:35 * Romans 10:17 * Proverbs 30:5 * Psalm 119:89, 9-11 * Isaiah 55:11 * II Timothy 3:16-17 * II Peter 1:20-21   **​6.** Having a daily quiet-time   * Mark 1:21-39 (context verses plus focus v.35-39) * Isaiah 55:1-2 * Psalm 1:1-3 * Matthew 6:33 * Matthew 22:37-39   **7.** How to Pray   * Matthew 6:5-15 * Matthew 7:7-11 * Matthew 5:21-24 * Matthew 18:15-20 * Philippians 4:6-7 * Mark 11:23-27 * James 4:1-3 * John 14:12-18 * I John 5:14-15 * James 5:13-18   **8.** Satan our Enemy   * Ezekiel 28:2, 12-17 * Isaiah 14:12-15 * John 10:10 * I Peter 5:8-9 * II Corinthians 11:14 * James 4:7 * I John 4:4   **9.** The Holy spirit   * John 14:26 * II Tim 1:14 * Acts 16:6 * Ephesians 1:13 * Ephesians 5:18 * Romans 8:26 |

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First pray that the Holy Spirit will illuminate His Word and help you to understand. Let the Bible words speak for themselves as you read. For each passage ask the following questions to help dig deeper.  Question #4 is perhaps the most important question to answer as it is the application of God’s Word to your life. Listen and do what you hear from God in His Word.

For each small section as you read, ask the following questions:

1. Who are the characters (or) What are the concepts?
2. What does this passage imply about the characters (or) concepts? (Ask this question about one character or concept at a time).
3. What does this passage imply about God?
4. What does this passage imply for our lives?
5. How does this apply to discipleship?

After studying the above basics, discipleship groups should consider studying through books of the Bible using the 4 questions.  Suggested starting points:

* The Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John)
* Acts (the birth of the church)
* I &amp; II Corinthians (a study of Christian living)
* Romans (a deep theological study of Christian issues)

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