



DEFINING MARKS OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE: Equipped to Multiply

Each person reproducing themselves into others through intentional discipleship and the reproduction of ministries and churches.

Passages: Mark 8:34-48
Luke 14:25-35

Matthew 28:18-20
2 Timothy 2:2

Please study these verses and then answer the following questions. Be concise in your answers. List specific principles that you glean from your study of these passages and give the accompanying scripture reference.

1. The word "disciple" simply means learner or follower. According to Jesus' words in Mark 8 and Luke 14, what does it look like to be a true disciple of Jesus?
2. According to Matthew 28, the mission and purpose of the church is to "make disciples." Disciples of Jesus are always doing two things simultaneously: (1) growing in their own relationship with Christ, and (2) helping others grow in their relationship with Christ.

How are you currently growing in your relationship with Christ? Who is God using to mentor you along the path of spiritual maturity? What is your plan to keep growing after this study is over?

Who are you currently pouring into in order to help them grow in their relationship with Jesus? Or, who could you be pouring into? How is God using you in their lives?

3. The making of disciples starts with non-disciples, with sharing the gospel with those who do not yet know Jesus.

How did God work in your life when you were not yet a disciple? What people and events and circumstances did He use to show you the hope of the gospel?

In that same fashion, how are you currently involved in reaching out to those who don't yet know Christ?

4. How is the "reproductive" nature of discipleship illustrated in 2 Timothy 2:2? What prevents you from multiplying what Christ has given to you into the lives of others?
5. What has the Lord put on your heart regarding your own growth as a result of this study? What specific action step will you take in order to move these truths from your head, through your heart, to your hands?