

How to Disciple Someone (Made Easy)

Know and live out your identity in Christ. Much of the Christian life is reprogramming your mind and heart to know and believe what God says about who you are in Christ. In Christ, you are a new creation; the old has passed away and the new has come. In Christ, you are a child of God, designed for a relationship with him. In Christ, you are a brother or sister to other believers. You have a new family. In Christ, God sends you out with a mission and great purpose – to reflect his love and truth to the world. Discipleship begins with who God is and who you are in Christ.

Abide. Stay close to Jesus. Keep your eyes fixed on the author and perfecter of your faith. Spend time with him, sitting in his presence, listening to his voice, reading the Word, crying out to him in prayer, journaling the meditations of your heart, and pursuing his presence. God will transform you into the healthy disciple (and disciple-maker) he wants you to be as you dwell closely with him.

Build relationships. You are meant to cultivate relationships. Each friend, co-worker, and neighbor deserves to hear about and experience God's love. Engage with others sincerely and meaningfully. Everyone longs for genuine connection, even if they aren't aware of how to seek it. Ask thoughtful questions, spend time together, and enjoy each other's company. Leverage your relationships to show the love of God.

Connect your conversations to Christ. When others share their thoughts with you, link those conversations to God's teachings. There's no need to be forceful or confrontational. People are genuinely interested in your perspective, and if you are grounded, your thoughts should reflect the Word of God. When someone expresses a complaint, respond with love and truth. If asked for your opinion, convey what you know to be true. Relate your daily discussions to the profound truths of God that shape everyday life, using words seasoned with grace.

Discover God's Word. When conversations progress, bring people to the Word. Show them how to read it and discover God's truth as revealed in Scripture using a simple method (like the Discovery Bible Study or the OIA Method). Encourage them to experience God's truth firsthand, allowing His Word and Spirit to communicate with them. Consider yourself a guide, simply leading someone else on a journey of discovering God for themselves.

Equip others to do the same. As you live and model this lifestyle, you will naturally show others what it means to be a disciple who makes disciples. When they are ready, show them each of these steps with greater clarity so they can equip others. When they have questions, help them find the answers in the Word—journey together as you both become more like Jesus.

Want to learn more? Reach out to us and let us know.