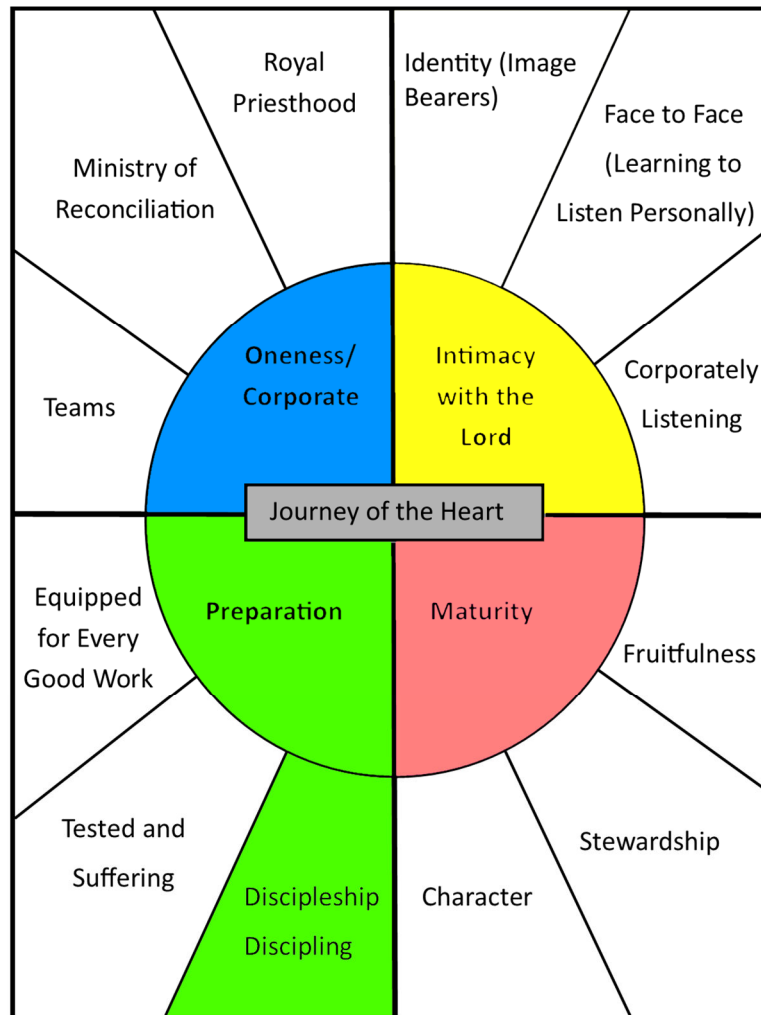


DISCIPLESHIP/DISCIPLING

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- ❖ Discern where each person has experienced discipleship.
- ❖ Discover the difference between operating from the heart or from the head, and know how this is discerned.
- ❖ Consider different approaches to discipleship to see what can be gained or what deficiencies can be filled.
- ❖ Understand and maximize learning styles.
- ❖ Learn how to come and follow (be a disciple).
- ❖ Learn how to go in His name (be an apostle).
- ❖ Recognize the nature and fullness of the Gospel.



SCRIPTURE MEDITATION:

- Luke 24:44-53, Matthew 28:18-20
- I Timothy 4
- II Timothy 4
- 1 Cor 15

TRIAD QUESTIONS:

WEEK 1: WHAT TRAINING SHOULD HAVE

1. Do you have independence; can you take care of yourself, see to your needs?
2. Do you have confidence; have you learned to persevere to do hard or unpleasant things?
3. What would discipleship look like if we viewed church as a family, or what would it look like if we viewed church as a school?
4. How is sound doctrine determined?
5. What does it mean to be strong in grace? How does one correctly handle the word of truth?
6. What did Jesus offer to His disciples that you wish you could experience in a discipling relationship?

WEEK 2: WHAT TRAINING SHOULD GIVE

1. What is a good Biblical description of discipleship? What might a church offer as a substitute for discipleship?
2. What did Jesus mean when He said, “Come Follow Me”?
3. How did the apostles share the gospel in Acts?
4. When was the last time you shared the Gospel? Is sharing the Gospel a regular part of your life? What barriers are in the way?

WEEK 3: WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED?

1. Where did you learn that you deserve to be loved? How do you teach someone to love (the Lord, His church, your spouse, family, enemies)?
2. How did you learn that you can expect shalom?
3. What Gospel are we sharing? Does it only include the Plan of Salvation? What about the other parts of Jesus' story? Have you ever strayed from only teaching what Jesus taught?
4. What is the cost of following Jesus? Do you tell people that upfront? How is faith more than just agreeing or believing? What does pledging your allegiance to Jesus Christ look like?
5. Is Jesus Lord of ALL areas of your life? Have you just added Jesus to your life, or given Him the leftovers?
6. What author has had the greatest impact on your walk with the Lord? Have you experienced this same level of influence from someone you actually know?

WEEK 4: NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP

1. Are you able to trust those in proper authority over you?
2. How did you learn self-control and managing your intentions?
3. Are you a consumer, leader, steward, or owner in your spiritual community? What differentiates each role? What sustains you in your role/function, and how does it align with your gift and calling?
4. What kind of relationship did you have with your earthly parents? Share some significant lessons that they taught you.
5. Have you witnessed an “orphan mentality” in believers? What seems to be at the root?
6. Who was a favorite teacher you had when you were in school? Why? What qualities made them such a good teacher?

BONUS QUESTIONS:

Look at the Israelites journey from Egypt to the Promised Land and the intention/purpose of each section of the journey. Ask yourself: where am I on the journey? What supports your answer?

- Egypt - in bondage to sin; life without Christ
- Passage through the Red Sea - liberated from sin and now free to follow Christ
- Wilderness - learning to follow in obedience and trusting for sustenance
 - Place of wandering
 - Followed outward manifestation of God in the cloud of the Lord by day and pillar of Fire
- Passage through the Jordan River - liberated from “self”
- Land of Promise -
 - Home - fulfillment of God’s promises
 - Followed the Ark of the Covenant, an indwelling Presence
 - Even though the Israelites had arrived, they needed to “occupy” the land by destroying ALL the enemies and not intermarry.