



TWCC Teaching Connection Outline and Notes - Wednesday, August 26th, 2020

Teaching and Equipping Series: "The Mission of the Church

Subject: "How to Disciple the Found"

Read Matthew 28:18 - 20 (NLT) The previous weeks we shared that we must remember, that as born-again believers and Christ-followers we are to _____ fruit. One of the major fruit we are produce is through our grace-empowered and _____ efforts to _____ the _____ of _____ for the Kingdom of God.

Read John 15:5, 8, 16 (NKJV)

- The purpose we must understand is that our God called us to be faithful and fruitful!
- **Proverbs 11:30 (AMPC)** - "The fruit of the [uncompromisingly] righteous is a tree of life, and **he who is wise captures human lives [for God, as a fisher of men—he gathers and receives them for eternity].**"
- We learned also that the harvest is ripe and ready for reaping! **Read John 4:35 - 38 (NLT)**
- We have to make the proper adjustments of our _____, and _____ our thinking just like Jesus our Lord corrected His disciples thinking. We have to: (1) _____ up, (2) _____ up, (3) _____ up and (4) _____ up. And as we rediscover _____ we do what we do, it will provide the fuel, motivation, and passion to fulfill our purpose. Our purpose as believers and as a Church is to _____ the lost and _____ disciples of the found.

REACHING THE LOST

Read John 3:16 - 17 (NKJV) and **Matthew 9:36 (NKJV)** and **Luke 19:10 (NKJV)**

These Scriptures Give Us Three (3) Big Ingredients for Reaching the Lost:

- **(#1)** _____: _____ for the lost is the first indispensable ingredient for reaching the _____.
- **(#2)** _____: _____ is love in action, and it is this ingredient that moves us to action.
- **(#3)** _____ **FOR THE LOST:** A _____ for the lost develops when we have an **unselfish concern** for others that comes from looking at their needs rather than our wants.
- These three (3) motivations are of the heart and spirit. By faith we **form** and **fuel** these motivations in our hearts (spirits). Faith comes from hearing and hearing the Word of God (**Romans 10:17 (NKJV)** - "So then **faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**").

HOW TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF THE FOUND

- All Churches and all Believers are _____ to help new Christians _____ into mature, functioning Believers and Christ-followers. With this _____ comes a _____. A responsibility is a task or duty we are expected or required to perform.
- As a Church we are to _____ our members, friends, and partners to fulfill their _____ as Believers and Christ-followers. Church _____ should serve as the introduction to fervent and intentional _____.
- **The Church is to be God's fireplace, igniting its members toward DISCIPLESHIP. The Church is God's officially designated University of DISCIPLESHIP. It has been authorized to PREPARE His followers to represent Him and His Kingdom perspective to the culture.**
- _____ is a process of the local Church that seeks to bring believers from spiritual infancy (babyhood) to spiritual maturity (adulthood) so that they are then able to repeat that process with someone else. God's goal is for you to become a _____ and _____ follower of Christ and then replicate that in someone else's life.

- **IT'S ALL ABOUT CONNECTIONS:** Anything that _____ and _____ does so because of its _____.
- **Tomatoes**, for example, thrive and grow because they are planted in (connected to) the right soil with the right nutrients. Another important factor was that once the plant was planted, it needed to stay put in the _____ and _____ environment of the soil. This then allowed the plant to receive the proper nutrients that would allow it to _____ and _____ into a healthy plant.
- This example gives us a picture of a new baby Christian who needs to _____ and **DEVELOP**. Without the proper nutrients and root system, they will never _____ and _____ the fruit the Lord so desperately is looking for. Baby Christians left to themselves will never produce the _____ of a mature believer. **Read Psalms 92:12 - 14 (NKJV)**
- **THREE CONNECTIONS THAT EVERY CHURCH SHOULD PROVIDE:**
- **(1st) Connect to the _____:** **Romans 10:17 (NKJV)** and **1 Peter 2:1 - 2 (NKJV)**
 - Without a balanced diet, a believer can become **malnourished**. Even worse, their understanding of the Lord can become **malformed**. **Read 2 Timothy 3:15 - 16 (NKJV)**
- **(2nd) Connect to the CHURCH:** **Galatians 5:13 (NKJV)** - "For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; **only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.**"
 - _____ is one of the most vital connection points a member can have to their local Church.
 - In our connection to the Church we **discern, discover, develop** and **deploy**: **(1)** _____ we are in Christ [our **INDIVIDUAL** Identity] and **(2)** _____ we are in the Body of Christ (the Church) [our **CORPORATE** Identity] - our place, our grace, our God-ordained race - our rights, our role and our responsibilities. **Read 1 Timothy 3:15 (NKJV)**
 - God's goal is that people be _____ through His Church, and the only proof that people are being _____ is that they are _____ (Growing). If they are not _____, growing, and maturing in their spiritual life, that means the _____ process is not occurring or people are not submitted and committed to it.
 - **Four (4) Common Commitments in our Connection to the Church: (#1)** _____ Commitment - a commitment to **Christ** and **a Church Family**; **(#2)** _____ Commitment - it is a commitment to **the Habits** necessary for spiritual growth; **(#3)** _____ Commitment - it is a commitment to **discover** and **use** my God-given gifts and abilities in **SERVING** God and others; and **(#4)** _____ Commitment - this is a commitment to **SHARE** the Good News (Gospel of Christ) with others. Why do we have these commitments? Because we _____ what we are _____ to.
- **(3rd) Connect them to _____:** How? Through (1) Faith _____; (2) through Faithful _____; and (3) through committed _____.
- **Faith FRIENDSHIP** = connected, real and righteous relationships as prayer and faith partners in life. These friendships keep each other encouraged, engaged, excited and expectant of Jesus. These are your fellow pray'ers and agreement partners who **serve** and **support** you in your life of learning and fully following Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **FOLLOWERSHIP** = is our loyal and loving commitment to the Lord and our spiritual leaders. Followership is shown and displayed effectively by our (1) _____, (2) _____ and (3) _____ we demonstrate to others and those over us in the Lord. Healthy and balanced Followership is characterized as being: **(1)** _____ (**Read Isaiah 32:8 and Proverbs 11:25 (NKJV)**); **(2)** Being **SUBMITTED** (**Read 1 Peter 5:5 - 6 (TPT)** and **Hebrews 13:17 (TPT)**) **(3)** Being _____ - to God's **WILL**, God's **WAY** and accomplish and complete God's **WORK** in and for your life and your Church - it's as simple as that. And **(4)** being and staying **SINGLE-MINDED** - in other words, keeping first things first.
- **Committed FELLOWSHIP** = your partnership and cooperation in the Spirit and in Service with fellow believers. It is your connected network of saints and friends who help you more than you think. These are supernatural relationships that contribute to your personal spiritual growth, health, leadership development and relational strength and support. Faith is a team sport!
- **RESULTS OF HEALTHY CONNECTIONS:** (1) _____ (2) _____ and (3) **SUSTENANCE**.