

PRACTISING

DISCIPLESHIP

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As believers, it is critical that we engage in the process of discipleship. Jesus declares in Mark 1:17, “Come, follow Me... and I will send you out to fish for people.” In other words, when we commit to following Jesus, we are committing to both being discipled and becoming a discipler.

By practising discipleship through following Jesus’ teachings, we will know Him better and declare to the world that we are His followers. Our lives and love will be a declaration of His love for others and invite them to know God the way we know Him.

Before His ascension, Jesus delivered a final charge to His followers in the Great Commission: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have

commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age” (Matthew 28:18-20).

In this, we are called to make disciples of all nations, teaching and guiding as Scripture declares and as the Spirit leads. Jesus teaches people, teaches people to teach people, and teaches people how to teach people. Or, as Paul explains in 2 Timothy 2:2, “...the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.” The cascade of discipleship from Paul to Timothy to “reliable” people eventually, through the centuries, has carried down to Christians in discipleship today. It is our responsibility to carry the torch on.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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