

Church Leadership: Serving In Ministry For Christ

Week 5 - Men For Jesus Leadership Training

2 Timothy

Memory Verse: 2 Timothy 2:1-2 - "You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will be qualified to teach others." NIV

Our Vision: To become men of Jesus by the power of God and call other men to follow Jesus with us.

Our Model: A real man is a servant-leader like Jesus

- He rejects passivity
- He accepts responsibility
- He leads courageously
- He expects God's reward

God Has Called You Into A Specific Kind of Ministry.

The call Jesus gave to the original disciples is the call for us today, too. To be a disciple of Christ who makes disciples of Jesus Christ – who in turn make disciples of Jesus Christ – who in turn make disciples of Jesus Christ.

Matthew 28:18-20

The same Holy Spirit who empowered the first disciples to serve God is the one who desires to empower you to serve Him, too.

In order to be a disciple-maker, you must Reject Passivity.

We can find ourselves being passive toward the call to the Ministry of Disciple-Making because doing nothing is always easier than doing something.

We can find ourselves being passive toward the call to the Ministry of Disciple-Making because we don't feel qualified.

Another reason we may find ourselves being passive toward the call to the Ministry of Disciple-Making is that it is difficult and messy.

The biggest reason many are passive about the call to the Ministry of Disciple-making is that they haven't truly apprehended the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The flip side of the coin from Rejecting Passivity is Accepting Responsibility.

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To accept responsibility in the call to Serve Christ in Ministry is to say yes to being a disciple-maker.

A man intent on Serving In Ministry For Christ must be willing to lead courageously.

Your life will not be easier if you choose to live into the calling you've been given to be a disciple-maker.

You will need courage because you are in a war.

As you serve in the ministry of disciple-making, you should expect God's reward.

Paul looked forward to the reward of Christ.

As a result of our faithful ministry that He calls us to, empowers us to accomplish, and blesses us in the midst of, He promises to reward us!

Small Group Questions

Who were the people that have had the greatest influence in your life in helping to disciple you? What did that look like?

Who are people in the past who you have helped to disciple? What did that look like?

Who are you currently discipling? What does that look like?

What might it look like to start discipling someone(s), if you aren't currently?