

## MAKING DISCIPLES

### This is What We Do

#### SERIES BIG IDEA:

**We are a gathering on Jesus' mission to expand His kingdom by loving Jesus, becoming like Jesus, and sharing Jesus with people far from God.**

*Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.*

Matthew 16:24 (NIV)

#### **We are letting go of the control of our lives and deciding to follow Jesus.**

<sup>31</sup>To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup>Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

John 8:31-32 (NIV)

#### **We are following the teachings of Jesus found in the Bible.**

<sup>34</sup>A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

John 13:34-35 (NIV)

#### **Our lives are characterized by love.**

<sup>8</sup>For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup>not by works, so that no one can boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:8-10 (NIV)

#### **We are living in grace and doing good works.**

<sup>19</sup>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, <sup>20</sup>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 28:19-20 (NIV)

#### **We are disciples who are making disciples of others.**

*But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.*

Acts 1:8 (NIV)

#### **We can't be a disciple without the power of the Holy Spirit.**

#### TEACHING BIG IDEA:

**We are becoming the disciples we lead others to be.**

*And 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.*

2 Timothy 2:2 (NIV)

**As a disciple of Jesus, I can join Jesus' mission to expand His kingdom.**

**QUESTION: Am I a disciple of Jesus?**

*My Notes:*

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