

UP Discipleship Questions

- › How am I intentionally spending time in the Word? Making space for prayer? (Mark 6:46, Luke 22:41, Luke 6:12)
- › Am I experiencing God's word as living and active or distant and dull? (Hebrews 4:12, 2nd Timothy 3:16-17, Jeremiah 23:29)
- › Am I anxious about anything? (Philippians 4:5-7, Matthew 6:25-34, 1st Peter 5:6-7)
- › Am I keeping in step with the Spirit and am I obedient to his promptings? (Galatians 5:25, John 15:4, John 5:19)

IN Discipleship Questions

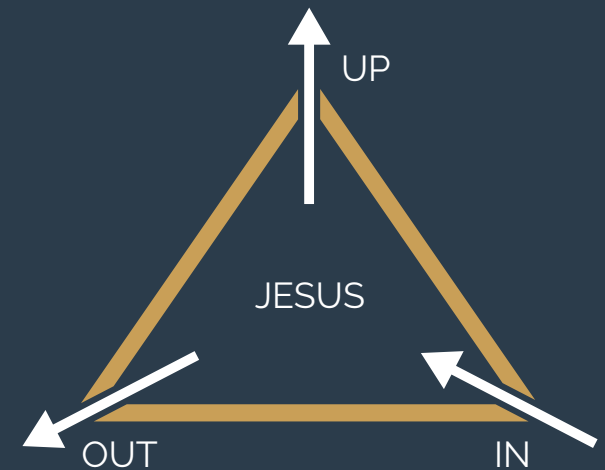
- › What is my plan for blessing/eating with someone on my list this week? How did it go last week?
- › Am I keeping the 2nd commandment of Jesus by truly loving the people in my spiritual family? (Matthew 22:37-40, 1 John 3:16-18, John 15:12-13)
- › Is there any friction in the relationships with my friends/family right now? (Matthew 18:15, Luke 17:3-4, Matthew 6:14-15)
- › Do I open my house and welcome people in? (1st Peter 4:8-9, Hebrews 13:2, Matthew 25:35)

OUT Discipleship Questions

- › What is my plan for blessing/eating with someone on my list this week? How did it go last week?
- › Do I boldly share my Grace Story? (Romans 10:14-15, 1st Peter 3:15, 2nd Timothy 4:2, Mark 16:15)
- › Do I know what specific good work the Spirit is sending me to walk in during this season of time? (Ephesians 2:10)

A Life Worth Imitating

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“
Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

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1 Corinthians 11:1

As we seek to grow in our intimacy with God and to live on mission with Him, we want to follow the pattern of Jesus' life. Jesus had three loves which he constantly pursued: his love for his Father (UP), his love for His disciples (IN) and his love for the lost world (OUT). This guide serves as a tool to help you cultivate a faithful and fruitful life in Christ. By His grace and power, we live a life worth imitating. The guide is divided by the three postures (Jesus' three loves) of UP (Intimacy with God), IN (Discipling Relationships) and OUT (Relationships with those who are far from God).

UP

“¹²Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. ¹³You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.”
- Jeremiah 29:12-13

A primary way we cultivate our relationship with God is by building a regular rhythm of being in God's Word. There are many ways to enter into the Bible's pages and learn from it. One way is the **S.O.A.P.** devotional method devised by pastor, Bible teacher, and author Wayne Cordeiro. This method requires that you use a notebook or journal to record your thoughts and any actions you plan to take as you read from God's Word daily. Your journal can be as simple or elaborate as you like, but the key is to write down what you take in each day so God's Word can transform your life!

Here's what **S.O.A.P.** means.

Scripture

Open your Bible to the reading found under today's date of your Bible reading plan. Take time reading and allow God to speak to you. Choose a verse that particularly spoke to you that day, and write it in your journal.

Observation

What do you think God is saying to you in this scripture? Ask the Holy Spirit to teach you and reveal Jesus to you. Paraphrase and write this scripture down in your own words in your journal.

Application

Personalize what you have read, by asking yourself how it applies to your life right now. Perhaps it is instruction, encouragement, revelation of a new promise, or corrections for a particular area of your life. Write how this scripture can apply to you today.

Prayer

This can be as simple as asking God to help you apply this scripture, or it may be a greater insight on what He may be revealing to you. Remember, prayer is a two-way conversation, so be sure to listen to what God has to say! Now, write it out.

I commit to use the following Bible reading plan:

IN

“¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”
- Mathew 28:19-20

We were not intended merely to be followers, but rather to be disciples who go and make disciples of all people everywhere. Making disciples is one of the greatest catalysts for spiritual growth in our lives. Who has God put in your path that you have spiritual influence with

and can intentionally invest in to help them become faithful disciples that live in relationship with Jesus and in representation of Jesus?

I commit to intentionally disciple the following people:

OUT

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” - Acts 1:8

Jesus has commissioned us with all His authority and empowered us by His indwelling Holy Spirit to be His witnesses to all people everywhere. Who has God put in your path that is far from Him and not living in relationship with Jesus?

I commit to intentionally build loving relationships with the following individuals in my circles of influence where I live, work and play. I will seek to make the most of every opportunity to demonstrate and communicate His Good News with them so they can have repeated opportunities to see, hear and respond to the Gospel.

“Grace is not opposed to effort. It is opposed to earning.” - Dallas Willard