

# DISCIPLESHIP

Master Plan of Evangelism



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## Chapter 1 | Preface and Selection

1. When you think about the way Jesus lived His life, what stands out to you? What was the goal or purpose of His life? What would you say was the strategy of His life? How did He go about it?
2. What qualities did Jesus look for in people with whom He worked?
3. Coleman writes, “the more concentrated the size of the group being taught, the greater the opportunity for effective instruction.” What are the benefits of limiting your focus to a smaller group of people? What are the drawbacks to this approach?
4. How many people do you think you can reasonably be in close relationship at a given time? Why?
5. When was Jesus tempted to go after large mass appeal? In what ways are you tempted towards mass appeal? How could that hinder God’s purpose in your life?
6. Again, Coleman writes, “And let us remember, too, that one does not have to have the prestige of the world to be greatly used in the Kingdom of God. Anyone who is willing to follow Christ can become a mighty influence on the world providing, of course, this person has the proper training.” Who do you see in your life who shows this willingness?

## Chapter 2 | Association

1. Coleman writes, “Knowledge was gained by association before it was understood by explanation.” What do you think this means?
2. What elements of following Jesus are most effectively taught in living everyday life together?
3. “Really the whole problem of giving personal care to every believer is only resolved in a thorough understanding of the nature and mission of the church.” How is the church God’s answer to the challenge of association?
4. What believers do you live alongside on a regular and consistent enough basis to see how their faith in Jesus gets lived out in everyday terms?
5. What is the biggest obstacle to living out the strategy of association in your life?
6. What is one practical step you could take to more closely associate with other Jesus followers?

## Chapter 3 | Consecration

1. “They were not required to be smart, but they had to be loyal.” What is the biggest obstacle to loyalty to Christ in your life and in the lives of those you know?
2. Coleman writes, “No one will follow a person in whom he or she has no trust, nor sincerely take the step of faith unless he or she is willing to obey what the leader says.” Why must trust and loyalty to Jesus precede obedience to Jesus?
3. How does a willingness to follow Jesus in obedience actually increase our ability to learn truth from Jesus?
4. How are love and obedience related to each other?
5. How did Jesus model obedience for us?
6. Who in your life do you know that is faithfully obeying Jesus?
7. Where would the Lord have you obey more faithfully?

## Chapter 4 | Impartation

1. Coleman defines the sanctification of Jesus as His “commitment to the task for which he was sent into the world.” How would you define the task for which Jesus was sent into the world?
2. How was Jesus a visible demonstration of the truth that “God so loved the world?”
3. In what ways does the Spirit continue the ministry of Jesus in the lives of believers?
4. How is the Holy Spirit’s work necessary in our work of making disciples?
5. How do we practically rely on the Spirit and acknowledge His role in discipleship?



## Chapter 6 | Delegation

1. Coleman observes that apparently Jesus' followers were asked to do very little ministry for their first year of following Him. Have you had an experience of being tasked with a responsibility prematurely? What was that like?
2. Conversely, have you ever been in observation mode too long without being entrusted with anything? How was that experience?
3. Read Matthew 10:1-20 aloud. Pay less attention to the details of Jesus' instruction and notice what kind of teacher Jesus is. How does Jesus prepare His followers for their first experience of doing ministry themselves?
4. Read John 20:21 and Matthew 28:16-20. What has been delegated to you as a Christ follower?
5. How do you discern when someone is ready to have something delegated to them?
6. In practical terms, how can you begin delegating the work of ministry to those with whom you have influence?

## Chapter 7 | Supervision

1. How do you feel when you delegate something to someone and they fail? How do you typically respond?
2. What steps did Jesus take to follow up on how His disciples were handling what He had entrusted to them?
3. How did Jesus respond to their performance?
4. How does trying and failing at something change the way you listen to further instruction on the topic?
5. How does supervision maintain momentum in training?
6. What are the biggest obstacles in your life to supervising effectively those whom you train? Where does it breakdown?
7. What systems and disciplines can you put into your life to help you supervise well those whom you are equipping for ministry?



## Chapter 8 | Reproduction

1. Coleman writes that by the strategy of spiritual reproduction “the conquest of the world was only a matter of time and their faithfulness to His plan.” Based on what you know about world Christianity, how has this plan fared? Where is it working and where has it fallen short?
2. “If the disciples failed to impart his Spirit and method to others who would keep this work going, then his ministry with them all these years would soon come to naught.” How did Jesus ensure that His disciples could continue to do the work He had done?
3. To whom in your life do you intentionally entrust your faith and life?
4. **Read Matthew 28:18-20 aloud.** If the task of making disciples is the core mission of our lives, how would you evaluate your life?
5. Coleman writes, “This is the new evangelism we need. It is not better methods, but better men and women who know their Redeemer from personal experience—men and women who see his vision and feel his passion for the world—men and women who are willing to be nothing so that he might be everything—men and women who want only for Christ to produce his life in and through them according to his own good pleasure.” How do we cultivate this kind of passion and vision in our lives?

## Epilogue

1. “The plan is the organizing principle around which the aim of life is carried out.” Do you have a plan for making disciples? What does that look like?
2. Coleman writes, “The wandering masses of the world must have a demonstration of what to believe—they must have a mentor who will stand among them and say, ‘Follow me, I know the way.’” What are some practical ways you can begin to invite less mature followers of Jesus to join you in your journey?
3. How is inviting people to join you in following Jesus different than simply asking them to follow you?
4. Jesus taught that the movement of the kingdom begins small, as small as a mustard seed. How does it feel to think about starting by only focusing on one or two people for a year or two?
5. Given the restraints of a busy schedule, how could you get time with the person you are discipling? How could you invite them into things you already do?
6. How can you give those you lead “something to do which requires the best that is in them?”
7. “We have to accept the burden of their immaturity until such time as they can do it for themselves.” Have you ever felt burned by the immaturity of someone you cared about and had invested in? How did that play out and how can we lead others through those seasons?
8. Close with some time thanking the Lord for His promise to be with you always and to finish the work He started in you. Pray that He would make you faithful and help you to bear fruit in the lives of others.