





Who of us are faithful servants of Jesus?

How do we measure faithfulness?

a. Faithfulness in attendance

b. Faithfulness in execution of tasks

c. Faithfulness in excellence



Have you multiplied what you have received?

a. In church

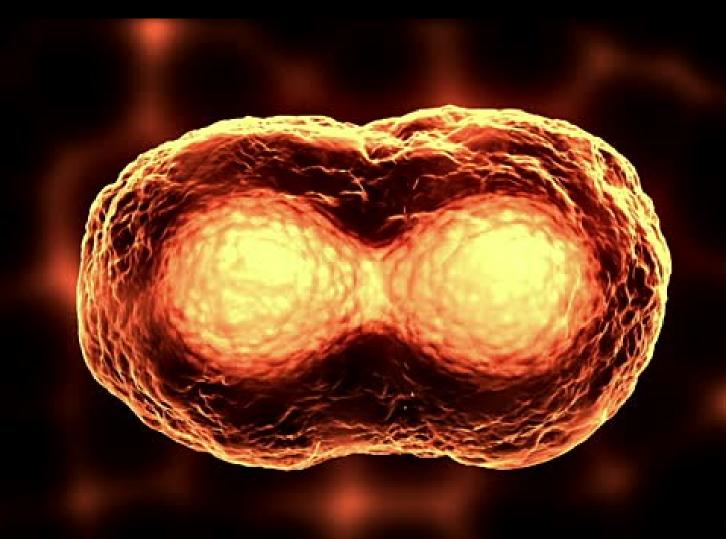
b. In small group

c. In Bible School

d. From your quiet time



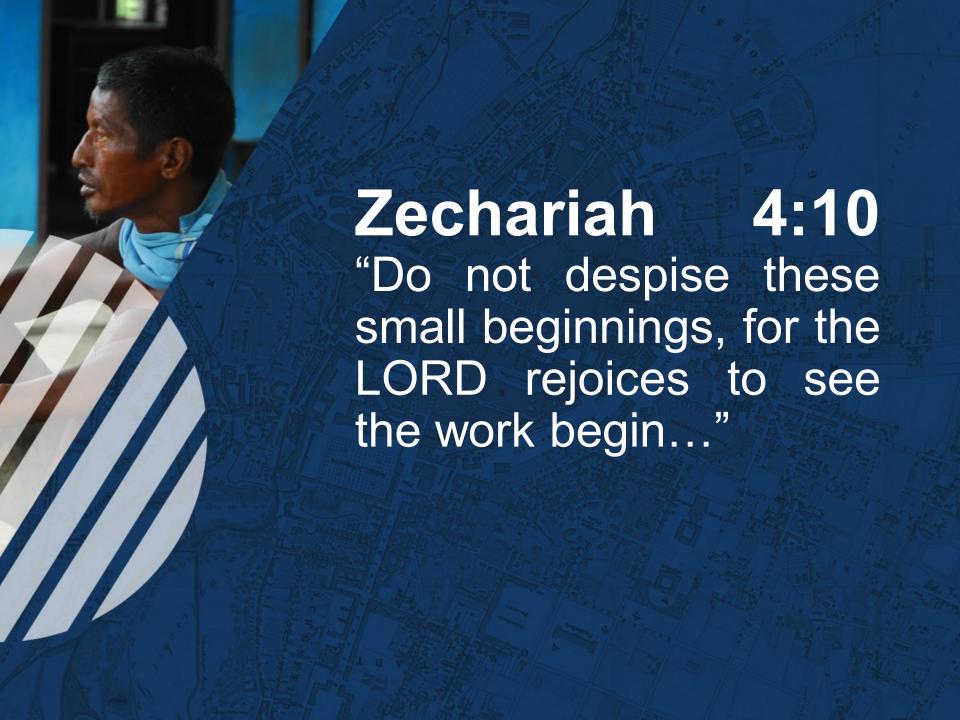


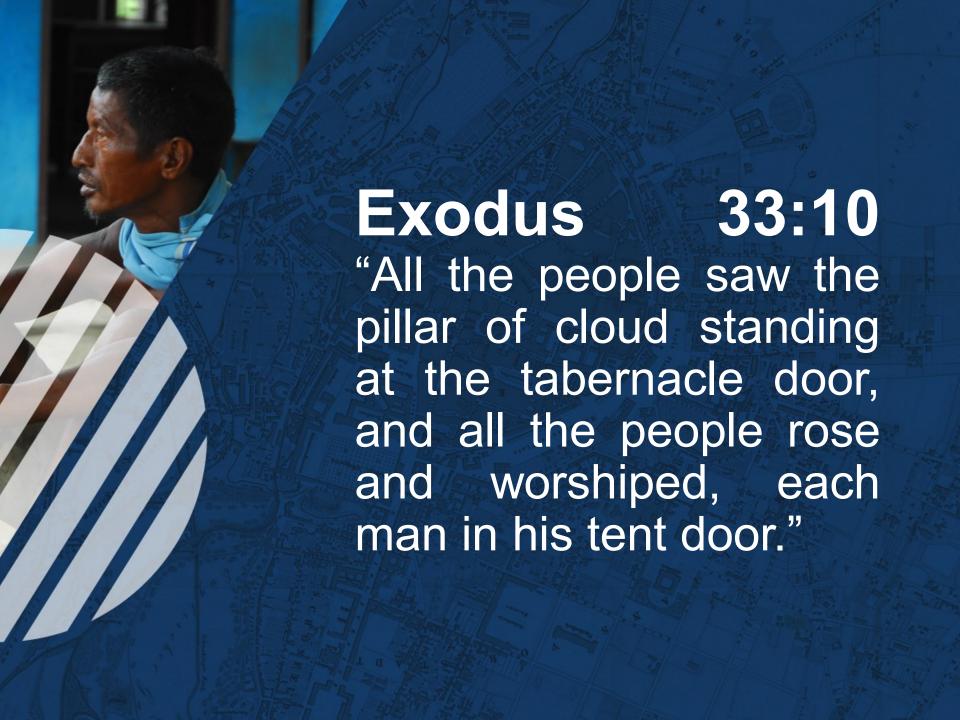




All of life stems from the ability to multiply

i. 50 -70 billions cells die per day in human body ii. 700 000 per second iii.Less than 700 000 new cells per second = dying iv. More than 700 000 new cells per second = growing







Exodus 33:11

"So the LORD spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. And he would return to the camp, but his servant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, did not depart from the tabernacle."



Giving

Receiving





EMPOWERING BELIEVERS

Eph 4:11 "And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,"





3 Important questions

- 1) Can your followers do what you do?
- 2) How effectively are we imparting what we have received and learned unto others?
- 3) How accurate is the duplication process? How true is it to scripture?



Matthew 28:18

"And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.



Matthew 28:19

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,"



Matthew 28:20

"teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."" (ESV)



WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?

The word disciple (Greek: mathetes) means pupil, learner, or follower.

The process of becoming more like Jesus and helping others to do the same



1 Corinthians 11:1 "Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ."

i. A human element and a divine element; ii. We imitate a human disciple maker, iii. But ultimately we keep our eyes on Jesus as Author and Finisher of our faith (Hebrews 12:1-2).



Formal teaching & preaching

Mark 6:2 "And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, ..." (ESV)



Luke 6:6 On another Sabbath, he entered the synagogue and was teaching, and a man was there whose right hand was withered.



Luke 6:7 And the scribes and the Pharisees watched him, to see whether he would heal on the Sabbath, so that they might find a reason to accuse him.



Luke 6:8 But he knew their thoughts, and he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come and stand here." And he rose and stood there.



Luk 6:9 And Jesus said to them, "I ask you, is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to destroy it?" Luk 6:10 And after looking around at them all he said to him, "Stretch out your hand." And he did so, and his hand was restored. (ESV)



ii. Informal teaching and sharing - E.g. Lunch at Zacchaeus' house Luke 19:2-27 iii. Illustration - Parables and stories iv. Demonstration - Miracles, healing, casting out demons



v. Setting an example – Washing of the disciples' feet vi. In large groups of 5 000+ vii. In medium groups (synagogue) viii. In focus groups - The 72 other disciples (Luke 10:1-24)



ix. In small groups – The 12 disciples

x. In the inner circle – The 3 disciples who joined him when Moses and Elijah came down



Mat 17:1 And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. Mat 17:2 And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light.



Mat 17:3 And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. (ESV)

xi. The trusted confidant – John at the cross (take care of my family)



Joh 19:26 When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Joh 19:27 Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. (ESV)





How did Paul do it?

2 Tim 2:2 And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Paul mentions four generations: Paul>Timothy>Faithful men>Others



How did Paul do it?

Make disciple makers!
Paul is commanding Timothy
to find those who are faithful
and make more than just
disciples – he must make
disciple makers!



How did Paul do it?

This is the ultimate goal of discipleship: to make disciple makers.

We must not break the chain, because if we do, we don't only inhibit ourselves, but also those we were supposed to disciple.



How did Paul do it?

Phil 4:9 The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.



I hear and I forget, I see and I remember, I do and I understand.

- Chinese proverb



If we only hear something from a teacher we soon forget it.

If we also see it modelled in the life of the teacher we remember it.

If we actually do it ourselves we understand it and will be able to teach others



A disciple-maker, therefore, is more than a teacher - he or she is a life coach.



The Twelve apostles heard Jesus proclaim the kingdom of God, they saw Him demonstrate the kingdom power, and they were sent out two-by-two to do likewise.



They then returned to report back what they had accomplished. They often made mistakes, which were simply corrected so they could learn from them.



"Until you have made a disciple you are not a disciple." - Bill Bright



THE NEGLECTED SCRIPTURE

Mark 16:15 "And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.

Mark 16:16 Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.



THE NEGLECTED SCRIPTURE

Mark 16:17 And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues;



THE NEGLECTED SCRIPTURE

Mark 16:18 they will pick up serpents with their hands; and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."" (ESV)



WHERE ARE THE SIGNS AMONG BELIEVERS?

a. The promise of signs following is to every believer. b. Every person is a minister c. Signs follow the preaching and teaching, not the other way round



WHERE ARE THE SIGNS AMONG BELIEVERS?

d. Teach believers How to lead someone to Christ How to pray for baptism in the Holy Spirit How to move in the gifts of the Holy Spirit How to share their testimony



THE DISCIPLESHIP CYCLE

First I do it and you watch Then I do it and you support Then you do it and I support Then you do it with someone else watching



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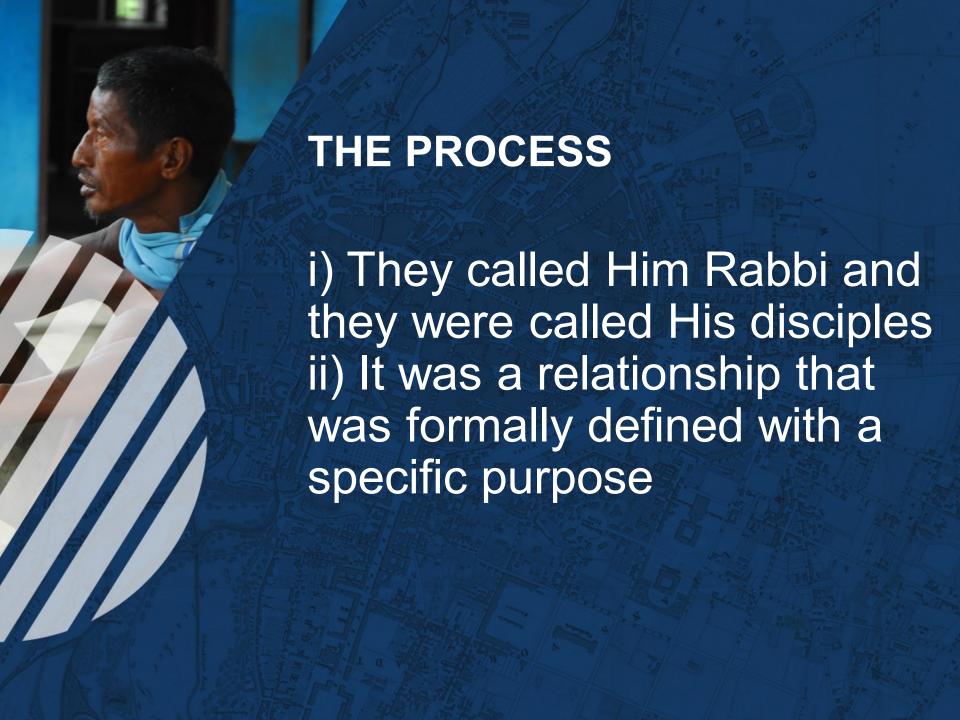
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THE PROCESS

b. E.g. Jesus teaching disciples to be fishers of men. Mat 4:19 "And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.""





THE PROCESS

c. E.g. My initial resistance to get discipled
e. E.g. Ralph Neighbour –
Sponsor-sponsee program and material
f. E.g. Shofar raising up church planters or supporters



THE PROCESS

f. E.g. Discipleship track (like a conveyer belt)

- i) New Life booklet when someone gets saved
- ii) Foundation 1-5
- iii) Small group

1. Accountability partner (Walking with Jesus)

