

# **DISCIPLE-MAKING.**

"AND HE SAID TO THEM, 'FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN."

**MATTHEW 4:19** 

#### WHO WE ARE.

We are committed to be DISCIPLE-MAKING.

#### UNDERSTANDING THE PURPOSE OF OUR COMMITMENT

- At the right time, God called us to follow Him.
- At the right time, God sends us out to be fishers of men.

THE TENSION:	BREAKING THE TENSION:
Isn't it RESTRICTING to follow someone?	Following Jesus brings FREEDOM (Acts 13:37-38; Gal 5:1)
Is MAKING DISCIPLES really NECESSARY?	DISCIPLE-MAKING is God's DESIGN (Gen. 12:1-3)
What about MY PLAN for MY LIFE?	Following Jesus gives a PURPOSE to our plans (1 Tim 1:12-17)
What if I DON'T KNOW HOW?	Jesus is a perfect MODEL and loving TEACHER (Heb 12:1-3)

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR US TODAY? (Matthew 28:18-20)

- I. We are committed to SEEING PEOPLE TRUST CHRIST (Mark 16:14-15; Romans 10:1-10)
  - *Corporately*: We will PROCLAIM the GOSPEL. At all times. To all people. No matter what.
  - *Personally*: I will TELL OTHERS about JESUS when I have the OPPORTUNITY.
- 2. We are committed to SEEING PEOPLE GROW IN CHRIST (vv. 19-20; Titus 2:1-10)
  - Corporately: We will MODEL and SHEPHERD others to Intimacy with God.
  - Personally: I will STUDY God's Word and PRAY. And I will BRING someone else with me!
- 3. We are committed to EMPOWERING PEOPLE to MAKE DISCIPLES who MAKE DISCIPLES (Eph. 4:11-12)
  - Corporately: We will TRAIN and SEND leaders to MAKE DISCIPLES.
  - Personally: I will enter into a DISCIPLING RELATIONSHIP.

### CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE.

"I planted. Apollos watered, but GOD gave the GROWTH."

- 1 Corinthians 3:6