

## August 2021

- If you are a guest with us today, we want to **WELCOME** you! If you haven't done so already, we invite you to stop by our **Guest Reception Center** in the lobby at the scooter table/info booth following the service. Someone will greet you, answer any questions you may have, and give you a gift as a **thank-you for worshipping with us today!**
- Come worship with our very own band called "Go And Tell" @ Worship On The Waterfront
  Sunday, August 15th at 7 pm. This concert is part of WOW's outdoor summer worship series held on the beautiful campus of Beechwood Church in Holland. General Admission is FREE! Bring your family and invite your friends! Let's pack the place with people from Grace and Ebenezer to enjoy a time of worship together with our community!
- **Prayer Changes Things!** Join us for a time of worship and prayer on **Tuesday, August 24** at **6:30 pm** at the **Grace Campus**. We will meet in the side room of the sanctuary. Pastor John will lead us as we worship and pray for our ministries, the body of Christ, and each other. Anyone is welcome!
- The **Family Church Library** is home to lots of Christian Fiction books for you to read. It has also been relocated just off the downstairs entrance at the **Grace Campus**! Check it out! We've also, recently, added several new books. Remember to sign books out and sign them back in when returned. Enjoy! Contact Pastor John for more info **(john@gracechapelzeeland.com)**.
- Website and App Update: Please give us grace this month while we update our website and app. We know crazy things are going on with our website. All of these things are part of the process of updating our site. Thanks for being so understanding!
- Are you interested in being a Rooted Group Facilitator? Leaders are needed as we launch new groups this fall! Training sessions begin August 23 in preparation for our October launch of Rooted Groups. *We will equip you with everything you need to facilitate a life-changing group.* Contact Pastor John (john@gracechapelzeeland.com).
- Ladies, **Sisters of Grace** (a ladies bible study group) will be starting on **Tuesday, September 14th** from **6:45-8:00** pm at the **Grace Campus**. Sisters of Grace meets every other Tuesday for 6 weeks. This is open to all women of all ages. Please join us as we study the book, Ruth, through Right Now Media. So grab a friend and sign-up together or come on your own and meet some new friends! Please sign up by **September 5th** at the welcome table or email **jen@familychurch.app**.

### Family Church - Weekly Services

- Thursday at 6:30 pm Live Service @ *Ebenezer Campus* (5166 Ottogan St. Holland) / Pizza and Donuts served at 6pm!
- Sunday at 9 am Live Service and Kids Church @ Grace Campus (9530 Woodbridge St. Zeeland)
- Sunday at 10:45 am Live Service and Kids Church @ Grace Campus (9530 Woodbridge St. Zeeland)

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#### August 15th 2021

Chair 4 - The Disciple Maker

A disciple is a person \_\_\_\_\_\_ like and \_\_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus.

Acts 5: 28-29, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name," he said. "Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man's blood." Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must obey God rather than human beings!

Acts 9:31, Then the church throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed a time of peace and was strengthened. Living in the fear of the Lord and encouraged by the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers.

Acts 17: 6 (ESV), And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also,

**Colossians 1:6**, In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God's grace.

# If you call yourself a follower of Jesus, how many disciples of Jesus have you made in your life?

Jesus' command is NOT \_\_\_\_\_... It is \_\_\_\_\_...

Could we, in just 3-4 years, create a movement of disciple-makers, just like Jesus did?

Jesus lived FULLY \_\_\_\_\_\_, FULLY \_\_\_\_\_\_, FULLY \_\_\_\_\_\_, FULLY \_\_\_\_\_\_, FULLY \_\_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**John 15:14-15**, You are my friends **if** you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you **friends**, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

Life Application: Take some time this week to dream about what it would look like for you to become just like one of Jesus first disciples. Write down some things in your life you need to re-prioritize to become a disciple-maker through the power of Jesus. Commit to not let the next year go by without making 1 disciple for Jesus. Share with a trusted friend.



#### August 15<sup>th</sup> 2021 Chair 4 – The Disciple Maker

1. Who is the person in the 4<sup>th</sup> chair?

- 2. This is the person who is out bearing fruit. This is a person who is listening to the Holy Spirit and leading people to Christ. What does bearing fruit mean? How do you know when you are listening to the Holy Spirit?
- 3. Jesus understood that His mandate was to "make disciples who could make MORE disciples." Is our mandate any different?

**KEY POINT**: Jesus' goal was not addition; Jesus' goal was always multiplication.

#### READ: Acts 5: 28-29

- 4. In two years how far had the disciples teaching spread?
- 5. Why were they doing this?

#### READ: Acts 9:31

6. Now it has been 41/2 years, what has happened? What had to have happened for the church to explode like this?

#### READ: Acts 17: 6 (ESV)

7. Now we see that 18 years later they have flipped the world upside down! Take a minute and discuss the approximate ages of the people in your group. Have you seen anything like this? Is it possible you may be a part of something like this?

#### READ: Colossians 1:6

- 8. How much of their world had heard about "this movement" at year 28? What does it say about bearing fruit?
- 9. Jesus lived out the values He wanted us to see and duplicate in our own lives. Jesus lived a life devoted to making disciples who could make disciples. How are you doing?

**KEY QUESTION**: If you call yourself a follower of Jesus. How many disciples of Jesus have you made in your life?

10. Do you feel good about answering that question? Pastor Adam pointed out all kinds of reasons your answer could be positive and make you feel great! He also pointed out reason you might not like your answer. How should we deal with this? A Quote from Pastor Adam... Making disciples is for every age! Students you can make disciples of Jesus. College Students you can make disciples of Jesus! Young Adults you can make disciples of Jesus! Adults you can make disciples of Jesus! Retiree's you can make disciples of Jesus! The question is not, can you do it. The question is will you value doing it and prioritize it? Jesus is calling us to invest in people at work, at school, on the sports field, in our neighborhood, as we walk, as we work. We just do what Jesus did, we love people and invest in people with the purpose of leading them toward Jesus!

# KEY POINT: Jesus' command is NOT <u>discipleship</u>.... It is <u>disciple-making</u>...

- 11. Discipleship normally refers to what we do with other Christians, is there anything wrong with discipleship?
- 12. The right answer to the above question is; of course not, but our mandate is disciplemaking. What is the difference?
- 13. Disciple making starts BEFORE someone knows Jesus and continues until that unbeliever is a reproducing disciple-maker. We all have a part in this, what do you think your part is right now?
- 14. We are all at different stages in this disciple-making process and that is OK! Jesus wants all of us to grow through this process and help others grow through this process.

**KEY QUESTION:** Could we, in just 3-4 years, create a movement of disciple-makers, just like Jesus did? Read: John 14:12

**KEY THING TO REMEMBER**: Jesus lived FULLY dependent on God, FULLY obedient to God, FULLY reliant upon the Word of God, prayer and the Holy Spirit life. Guess what? We can all do the exact same thing! Believe it! **READ: John 15:14-15** 

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