

2025 Summer Series – Why Does Doctrine Matter?

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Discipleship and Soul Care (*more next week*)

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10 minutes – Table Talk

Introduce yourself to your table and consider these questions:

- 1) Where did you grow up, how did you make your way to Winchester?
 - 2) What hobbies do you have? How do you spend your free time?
 - 3) When you hear the phrase “Relational Discipleship”, what comes to mind?
 - 4) Have you ever had the opportunity to be “discipled”? If so, what did that look like?
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30 minutes – Teaching

Review from the Last Two Weeks (also Mark Carey's May 2025 class on Romans 6–8 [Following Jesus in the Battle])

Justification or Positional Sanctification (A Completed Act):

At the moment of salvation, believers are immediately set apart in Christ. This is a once-for-all act of God, a change in their legal standing and identity before Him.

1 Corinthians 6:11 (NASB): "Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were **sanctified**, but you were **justified** in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God."

Believers are already, in a past sense, set apart as holy because of their union with Christ. They are positionally holy.

Hebrews 10:10 (NASB): "We have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."

Christ's single sacrifice fully accomplished the work of making believers holy in God's sight. Our sanctification is secured through His atoning work.

Progressive Sanctification (ongoing from belief in Christ until glorification)

Sanctification is the progressive movement of becoming more like Christ in our daily lives. It is the process by which we become in our practice what we are in our position in Christ.

Millard Erickson in *Christian Theology* (p. 968): it is the “process by which one’s moral condition is brought into conformity with one’s legal status before God.”

JUSTIFICATION	SANCTIFICATION
One time action	Ongoing process
Is Done/Completed for us (sealed)	Is done within us in a continuous manner
Declares us righteous	Makes us righteous
Has to do with our Position	Our Practice (daily living)
Frees us from the guilt of sin	Frees us from the pollution of sin
Saves us from the penalty of sin	Frees us from sin’s power

Discipleship is Part of Progressive Sanctification

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

Parenting is Discipleship at its core

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

⁴“Hear, Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one! ⁵And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. ⁷And you shall repeat them diligently to your sons and speak of them when you sit in your house, when you walk on the road, when you lie down, and when you get up. ⁸You shall also tie them as a sign to your hand, and they shall be as frontlets on your forehead. ⁹You shall also write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.”

Relational Discipleship

An intentional relationship with other believers with a sanctification agenda—a shared purpose to become more like Christ. The goal is growing in the knowledge of the Lord and our identity in Christ so that we yield to the work of the Holy Spirit to transform us into Christlike character together.

Relational Discipleship Involves Encouragement and Building-Up One Another

Hebrews 3:12-13

“Take care, brethren, that there not be in any one of you an evil, unbelieving heart that falls away from the living God. But encourage [exhort] one another day after day, as long as it is still called “Today,” so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.”

Romans 14:9 (NASB) – “So then we pursue the things which make for peace and the **building up** of one another.”

1 Thessalonians 5:11,14 – “Therefore, encourage one another and **build up** one another, just as you also are doing. We urge you, brethren, admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with everyone.”

“Build up” – οἰκοδομέω (oikodomeō) – to build a house or building.

5 minutes – Role Play - Pre-read

Scott and Hunter have been in a discipleship relationship for several months. They are studying Romans together. One recent passage includes Romans 6:1-11

25 minutes – Role Play – Live Conversation between Scott and Hunter

Includes tables discussion in the middle

Romans 7:15- 8:6

James 4:1-3

Role-play discussion:

Where should Scott go with the conversation?

How can Scott help Hunter in the place where he describes himself as “stuck”?

How do we apply the scriptures we have read to this particular situation?

5 minutes – Closure—Summarize the key discipleship elements

Progressive Sanctification happens with the Holy Spirit and in community with believers.

We are all worshippers, but our hearts can lead us astray.

Relational Discipleship should be a normal part of the Christian life.

Transparency, closeness, and a willingness to be challenged.

“Iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another” (Prov. 27:17)

“People in Need of Change Helping People in Need of Change” (Paul Tripp)

Appendix

Resources

- a. *Gospel Treason* by Brad Bigney (book or sermon series)
(<https://www.graceky.org/sermons/series/gospel-treason/>)
- b. *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands* by Paul Tripp
- c. *Discipling your kids: Shepherding a Child's Heart* by Tedd Tripp and *Parenting* by Paul Tripp
- d. *Family Discipleship* by Matt Chandler and Adam Griffin

“One Another” passages in the New Testament

Greek form of “One Another” [ἀλλήλων (allēlōn)]

It's used to indicate an action or relationship that is **shared or exchanged between two or more people within a group**. It always implies plurality and interaction within that group.

The list below provides a solid representation of the various ways “one another” is used in the New Testament to instruct Christians on how they are to live in community, actively participating in each other's sanctification.

1. **Love one another:** John 13:34, John 13:35, John 15:12, John 15:17, Romans 13:8, Galatians 5:13, 1 Peter 1:22, 1 John 3:11, 1 John 3:23, 1 John 4:7, 1 John 4:11, 2 John 1:5
2. **Be devoted/affectionate to one another and honor one another:** Romans 12:10
3. **Serve one another:** Galatians 5:13
4. **Bear one another's burdens:** Galatians 6:2
5. **Admonish/Instruct one another:** Romans 15:14, Colossians 3:16
6. **Greet one another:** Romans 16:16, 1 Corinthians 16:20, 2 Corinthians 13:12, 1 Peter 5:14
7. **Wait for one another:** 1 Corinthians 11:33

8. **Care for one another:** 1 Corinthians 12:25
9. **Live in harmony with one another:** Romans 12:16, 2 Corinthians 13:11, Romans 15:5
10. **Accept/Welcome one another:** Romans 15:7
11. **Build up one another/Edify one another:** Romans 14:19, 1 Thessalonians 5:11
12. **Encourage one another:** 1 Thessalonians 5:11, Hebrews 3:13, Hebrews 10:25
13. **Comfort one another:** 1 Thessalonians 4:18
14. **Pray for one another and confess sins to one another:** James 5:16
15. **Show hospitality to one another:** 1 Peter 4:9
16. **Minister/Use gifts to one another:** 1 Peter 4:10
17. **Clothe yourselves with humility toward one another:** 1 Peter 5:5
18. **Forgive one another:** Ephesians 4:2, Colossians 3:13
19. **Be kind and compassionate to one another:** Ephesians 4:32
20. **Be humble/Subject yourselves to one another:** Ephesians 5:21
21. **Consider others better than yourselves:** Philippians 2:3
22. **Teach one another:** Colossians 3:16 (often linked with admonish)
23. **Spur one another on toward love and good deeds:** Hebrews 10:24
24. **Do not slander one another:** James 4:11
25. **Do not grumble against one another:** James 5:9
26. **Live in peace with one another:** Mark 9:50, Romans 14:19
27. **Have fellowship with one another:** 1 John 1:7
28. **Cleanse one another from every defilement:** 2 Corinthians 7:1
29. **Encourage/Exhort one another day after day:** Hebrews 3:13
30. **Do not judge one another:** Romans 14:13
31. **Do not bite and devour one another:** Galatians 5:15
32. **Do not exasperate/provoke one another:** Galatians 5:26
33. **Do not lie to one another:** Colossians 3:9
34. **Bear with one another:** Ephesians 4:2

