New Vision Baptist Church
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THE STATE OF OUR CULTURE

I. THREE RESPONSES

A. DISCIPLESHIP:

1. **Matthew 28:18-20.**
2. What is it? Training someone to be a follower of Christ.

3. In the New Testament, the word "Christian" is only used 3 times to describe believers (twice in a negative way); the word "disciple" is used approximately 260 times.

4. What we have settled for in the American Church:

5. **"...teaching them to obey all things I have commanded you..."**

6. Compare this with what we expect in school:
7. I am concerned about education in our nation
   a) Lack of ability to critically think.
   b) Lack of Biblical Worldview
   c) The embracing of socialism.

8. **In what area of life do your children, grandchildren, or someone in your circle need to grow as a disciple?**

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   (PRAY FOR IT! WORK TOWARD IT!)

B. HOLINESS:

1. **1 Peter 1;16—"because it is written, 'Be holy, for I am holy.'"**
2. **John 17:16—"They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world."**
3. Holiness is living lives separated unto the Lord that look different from the world because we are His disciples.
4. There is a balance between not judging someone because of the sin and mistakes they have done...AND...not just accepting for them to keep living in it.

5. **What is area of your life where God has called you to walk in greater holiness?**

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C. BOLDNESS:

1. Compare **Acts 2:14, Act 2:22-23, and Acts 2:38** with **John 18:17**
2. Boldness action comes from bold praying. (See **Acts 4:31)**

3. **How is God asking you to be BOLD in your life right now?**

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