



A DISCIPLE'S JOURNEY

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Step 5

Share the Good News

Matthew 28:19-20
Romans 6:23

For those who are alive in Christ, they have been given the most exciting news of all time, the gospel. The good news is that Jesus Christ reconciled us to God, brought forth forgiveness of our sins, and gave us the hope of eternal life with God. This is an incredible message of hope; and it is a message that He wants us to share with others. To be a disciple of Jesus, is to be a person that shares the good news with others.

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. – Matthew 28:19-20

Our mission, given by Jesus, is to tell others the exciting news about Jesus! Now, out of all of the steps on The Disciple's Journey, this one is often one of the most neglected. We can get so excited about Jesus and how He has saved us but will often allow all sorts of obstacles, hindrances, or downright excuses get in the way that keep us from sharing with others. To not share the good news is to be disobedient to what God has called us to do.

There are many different resources available to equip Christ followers in sharing their faith. There are different illustrations such as the Romans Road (which lays out the plan of salvation through selected Bible verses from the book of Romans) and The Bridge method (a tool used by many believers to explain the plan of salvation to a non-believer) that help articulate the gospel message. There are websites like millionstories.org

that allow you to digitally share the story of faith. There are good news tracts available in our church building. And we have even created helpful studies and guides to equip you in sharing the good news. As Pastor Jeff points out in this session video, sharing the good news means we must Know His Story and we should Tell Our Story! Faithfulness in evangelism comes not by our ability to convert people, but in our obedience to share the story of Jesus and tell others what He has done for us.

Read

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

- Romans 10:14-15

Reflect

1. In two or three sentences, write out the gospel. What is the gospel and who is it for? Use Romans 6:23 and 1 Corinthians 15 as references if you need additional help or study.
2. Spend time each day this week in prayer, asking God “WHO” in your circle of influence you are called to share the gospel with this week.
3. Consider sharing your story of salvation at millionstories.org

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Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. - Matthew 28:18-20

Reflect

1. Who shared the gospel with you? Consider reaching out to them with a text, email, or letter thanking them for their faithfulness to the mission of God and their love for you.
2. What keeps you from sharing the gospel?
3. “Evangelism is joining a conversation that the Holy Spirit is already having with another person” - Darly Johnson
How can this quote encourage and empower you to share the gospel with others?

