

The Tools of Disciple - Making Disciples

8 DISCIPLESHIP POWER TOOLS

1) ACCOUNTABILITY

- The critical ingredients for biblical accountability in discipling relationships are confidentiality, authenticity, and obedience.
- [Mark 6:7; 9:14-29](#)

2) BIBLE

- Some of the critical actions whereby the Bible is used in the process of one's growth as a disciple are memorization, inductive study, and obedience.
- [James 1:22-25](#)

C.H. Spurgeon said, "Oh, to have the word of Christ always dwelling inside of us, in the memory, never forgotten; in the heart, always loved; in the understanding, really grasped; with all the powers and passions of the mind fully submitted to its control."

3) CURRICULUM

- Biblically sound curriculum has become critical and necessary due to a significant measure of biblical illiteracy.
- [Luke 11:1-4](#) - this verse gives us a prayer template

Like such catechisms (Heidelberg, Westminster), modern curricula are tools that help distill the teachings of Scripture into concise, easily understood subjects. We can share these materials when discipling others (leading a group or one on one). e.g.: *9Marks.com*; *Ligonier Ministries*; *Grace Media*; *Truth For Life*

4) DISCIPLINES

- We do not truly learn something until we teach it
- [Luke 11:1-4](#) - this verse also shows us the discipline of prayer.

A devotional is a great discipline!

5) EXAMPLE

- One of the most significant forces of personal disciple-making is modeling
- [Luke 6:40](#); [John 13:15](#);

Discipling someone means stepping out in faith! Don't ever feel "un-qualified" or "inadequate" to disciple a new believer. Believers are all a part of the fellowship of the unqualified—the ones that never have all the answers because we are each a work in progress.

6) FRIENDSHIP

- Some people learn by reading, others by hearing, but most learn by reading and hearing alongside someone accomplished at the task.
- [1 Thess 2:8](#); [John 15:13-17](#)

When a disciple-maker pairs example and friendship, he unleashes the power of endearment.

7) GOSPEL

- The disciple-makers have an opportunity to demonstrate what the gospel looks like in practice as they live it out before their disciples.
- [1 Thess 2:10-12](#); [Gal 5:22-25](#)

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8) HOLY SPIRIT

- Paired with the Gospel tool, the Holy Spirit working through the life of a disciple-maker proves to be a supernatural combination.
- [John 14:16](#); [1 Thess 2:13](#);

In many aspects, we are never qualified. But we have a Bible, and we have the Spirit—and that is more than enough.

Resources: Christopher Moody, Disciple-Making Disciples: A Practical Theology of the Church (Franklin, TN: Carpenter's Son Publishing, 2021).