

INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP 2020

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MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP

KNOWING THE MISSION

1. KNOWING THE MISSION

Following Christ is a process that begins with intentional steps that begins with surrendering to the call of Christ before embarking on the journey. The journey will involve (1) following and (2) serving the mission of Christ (**Eph 4:23-24; Rom 12:2**).

Servanthood to the mission of Christ requires obedience to principles of Christ. The call is to “accept” and _____ the teachings of Christ. Once, we yield ourselves to Christ, he forms us into his image from the inside out. This process is what many call ‘spiritual formation’ and is only possible by simply following Christ and freely trusting in the Savior. One must follow before they can lead!

2. KNOWING WHAT TO DO (CO-MMISSIONED)

A disciple is a person who is (1) surrendered to Christ and his mission, (2) experiences transformation and consistent renewal by the Holy Spirit, and (3) is committed to follow and serve the mission of Christ.

Three characteristics of a follower of Jesus Christ include (1) being _____ to Christ, (2) living a _____ life, and (3) living a _____ life.

Jesus was sent, but also fulfilled what he was **co-missioned** to do by his _____.

Followers of Christ are also expected to fulfill the global commission of multiplying _____ of Christ. Intentional discipleship involves being disciplined to be sent should be our ‘mantra’ as Christians. Global _____ is successfully occurring throughout the world, but as disciples we Christ are called to follow a global co-mission to make the gospel of _____ known.

Disciples must remember that they are also **disciple-makers** that have been sent to the world to fulfill God’s _____ (**Matt. 28:19-20**).

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3. KNOWING HOW TO FOLLOW THE MISSION

No one is left behind! In this model Jesus was sent, and all subsequent disciples are commissioned to share the gospel of Christ.

“So Jesus said to them again, “Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send _____ (John 20:21).

People are the main focus of relational disciple making. The _____ of Christ is knit together by people (Eph. 4:15-16).

We must be careful that developing programs and systems are not our focus, but rather building people should be our aim. It is Jesus’s relationship with people that enabled the kingdom of God to flourish in the _____ Testament!

When we allow ourselves to be positioned in a place of humility, it is the _____ of God that comes to do the ultimate transformation. Both the mission and purpose of the work we do in discipleship is God. As such, we must understand that we have assistance from the Holy _____, which is _____ in One: (1) *God, The Father*; (2) *God, The Son*; and (3) *God, The Holy Spirit*.

We are partakers of God’s _____ nature, which empowers us and transforms our very *nature* (2 Pet. 1:2-4).

4. KNOWING YOUR IDENTITY (CHOSEN)

We stand before the Lord to offer up *spiritual sacrifices of _____ (Heb. 13:15)*; and the sacrifice of our own lives, as we present our _____ *as a living _____ holy, and acceptable unto God, which is our _____ (Rom. 12:1)*.

Revelation 1:6 tells us that “He has made us to be a _____, _____ to His God and Father; to Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

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We are Kingdom Priests under the New Covenant and you are called to a Royal priesthood.

1 Peter 2:9 says, "You are a chosen race, a _____, _____, a people for God's own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."

There is high calling of priesthood for all believers. We are called to be missional leaders, who champion the mission of Christ!

5. TRAINING THE TRAINER (MULTIPLICATION)

Jesus trained the _____. The future leaders of the Christian Church were first trained by Jesus. This model of multiplication began with those who studied at the feet of Jesus reproducing missional leaders to multiply the flock.

Jesus didn't just train twelve men. He mentored _____, trained seventy and empowered many more. Both men and women submitted to the apprenticeship of Jesus, by following after his pattern of multiplication (**Acts 9:31**).

This pattern of multiplication enabled the Church of Jesus Christ to spread throughout the Earth at a rapid pace! Imagine that 3,000 souls were added to the church after just one sermon (**Acts 2:41**).

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6. PUTTING THE MISSION INTO ACTION (MOVEMENT)

Pray for the disciples to come and pray for them to grow. Pray for their successful spiritual formation and pray for them to seek the Word of God for themselves.

- Seek an outpouring of the Spirit over the lives of others and for them to see their lives improve.
- Focus prayers on praying that a spiritual change takes place within others.
- Consider forming smaller relational groups, where prayer, worship and fellowship can take place on a more intimate level.
- Lift up prayer and intercession consistently for those we minister to.

Prayerful preachers at the turn of the century began spearheading a Movement enabled by the Holy Spirit that was marked by: 1) physical healing, 2) spiritual deliverance, 3) Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and 4) freedom from social and economic bondages.

The Great Awakening in America that took place in the 18th Century was marked by their desire for a “**religious awakening**” sparked a renewed passion, most notably in the hearts of Christians to pray and seek for souls.

Just like in the past, prayers driving for renewal and spiritual reformation prompted one’s desire to seek more spiritual guidance from God. Once that person began seeking God more; then, the supernatural change took place and there was **exponential church growth**.

This transformation has the potential to birth revival!