

Becoming 3D Disciples



Duplicate Your Faith

Discover – Demonstrate - Duplicate

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Duplicate – Make Disciples

- Series on 3 Dimensional Disciples
- Discover
- Demonstrate
- Duplicate
- today – duplicate your faith in others



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1. Charge to the Disciples of Jesus –
Matthew 28:18–20

*“¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said,
“All authority in heaven and on earth
has been given to me. ¹⁹ 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, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey
everything I have commanded you.
And surely I am with you always, to
the very end of the age.”*

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- a) All Authority – right and power to ask
 - take note of the one giving orders
 - in heaven and on earth – covers it all
- b) Therefore go – make disciples of all nations
 - involves action with intention
 - no one excluded from the command
- c) Baptizing them in the Name of Father, Son, Holy Spirit
 - public and visible declaration
 - died to self, old washed away, raised to new life in Christ



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d) teaching them to obey everything commanded

- modeling this life
- discovering, demonstrating – living out
- need each other in this process

e) I am with you to the end

- not alone in this
- not without resources and enabling
- 2 parts: our faithfulness / God's work

Clear charge to disciples – through you this gospel needs to reach others – this is my plan

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2. Clarifying the Obvious

– Romans 10:8–17

“But what does it say? “The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: ⁹ If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

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¹¹ As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” ¹² For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³ for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” ¹⁴ 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 someone preaching to them?



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¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!” ¹⁶ But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?” ¹⁷ Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ



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- a) it is in you – 8ff
 - declaring with mouth – proclaim
 - believing in heart – justified
 - you will be saved – promise
- b) what about others? vs. 14–15
 - how can they proclaim without knowing?
 - how can they believe without truth?
 - how can they hear without words spoken
 - how can they encounter without you
- c) you are God's plan for this to happen

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- c) you are God's plan for this to happen
 - reveal Jesus in Your life and love
 - proclaim Jesus in your words and actions
 - intentional instruction about Jesus
 - participation in sending others
- d) God's Design is to Use You
 - cannot be a witness without being seen
 - cannot lead others without participation
 - seen as beautiful when we do



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3. Confirming the Methods 1 Pet 3:15–17

“¹⁵ But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶ keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behaviour in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. ¹⁷ For it is better, if it is God’s will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.”

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- a) Put Jesus in the Right Place
 - verses previous – even in persecution, difficulty
 - revere Christ as Lord
 - attitude, trust, relationship, Christ is my Lord
- b) Be Ready to Respond
 - people should notice Hope in you
 - they will ask about or attack that peace
 - you need to be prepared
 - know your story
 - know your saviour



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- c) Be Careful in Attitude and Speech
 - gentleness and respect
- d) Keep a Clear Conscience
 - your behaviour will come into attack or question
 - good behaviour in Christ – being faithful to his leading in your relationship – clear conscience



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So What?

1. You Have A Clear Mandate
 - as a disciple of Jesus – participate in the mission
 - He has the right and resources – waits your willingness and participation
2. Clear that What is Within You Should Witness
 - need to know the truth you possess
 - called to articulate and participate in that reaching others



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3. Methods Matter

- not some sales job, bait and switch tactic
- put Jesus in the right place
- let your hope shine in conversation and life
- know what you believe – articulate that
- watch your attitude and speech
- Check your conscience – live boldly

* Final Warning – Jeremiah 42 ff