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Family Crest – much more than a logo

- Cross – Christ our Saviour
- Cup – Christ our Sanctifier
- Pitcher – Christ our Healer
- Crown – Christ our Coming King

Foundational pillars – timeless truths

Today – 3D discipleship

- Matt Emmons story
- importance of knowing what we are charged with

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The Target – Make Disciples

- Matthew 28:18-20 *“And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”*

- target is not numbers, popularity, feelings**
- make, baptize, teach – action words (takes work)**
- authority and presence promised (needs supernatural)**

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1. Discover

- for the first time, ongoing, knowing God
- Rom. 10:17 *“So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.”*
 - encountering the truth and responding
 - Psalms 119:97-98,105 *“Oh how I love your law! It is my meditation all the day. Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is ever with me.”.....” Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”*
 - learning to love, trust, turn to the Word of God

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- Heb. 4:12 *“For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.”*
- allowing the truth to correct & instruct
- important re-alignment with truth in a twisted world
- gauges in the dashboard of life - important

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2. Demonstrate

- one dimensional disciples – all knowledge no practice
- James 1:22-24 *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.”*
- teaching them to obey
- *‘If you love me, obey my commands’*

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- 1 John 2:3-6 “And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. Whoever says “I know him” but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.”

- cannot do this in our own strength**
- torn curtain – implications**
- empowered, gifted, called, placed, prepared**
- importance of community – body of Christ**



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3. Duplicate

- be one – make one

- heart of God growing in you, transformed

- 2 Cor. 3:16-18 *“But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit”*

- transformed – work of the Spirit of God in you

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- 1 Peter 3:14-15 *“But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect”*
- God's plan – we are lights, witnesses, ambassadors
- knowing and sharing God's story and yours
- faith duplicated in others

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So What

1. We have a target

- making disciples at all ages and stages
- learning to love God and live in community
- embracing our call and place

2. Defining a Way

- learning from Word of God – what matters
- discerning our culture and place
- inviting participation

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3. Changes our Perspective

- on programs and preferences
- on training and sending
- on equipping and releasing vs. hiring professionals
- on participation in mission – here and there