

CHECKOUTFORLESSON NINE

To complete this lesson I will: (check when completed)

PREPARATION

- 1. Prepare to give from memory 2 Timothy 2:2.
- 2. Read and study Galatians 1 - 6 using "My Daily Time With God" sheet. Making application of responses to God's Word.
- 3. Take notes on the Pastor's sermon. Use the Message Outline.
- 4. Complete all material in Lesson Nine, "God's Will for My Future".
- 5. Study how the Dynamic Discipling fits into the Spontaneous Disciple Making - Discovery Group Model or the Dynamic Life Process. Be prepared to explain the diagrams on next 2 pages to your discipler.

TO BE COMPLETED WITH DISCIPLER

- 1. Briefly review main points of Lesson Eight emphasising sharing Christ and making disciples of those who receive Christ. Discuss application.
- 2. Quote from memory 2 Timothy 2:2.
- 3. Discuss your Bible Study and Prayer Time and any applications or answers to prayer.
- 4. Discuss notes taken on Pastor's sermon.
- 5. Have your disciple explain how the Dynamic Discipling fits into the Spontaneous Disciple Making - Discovery Group Model or Dynamic Life Process diagrams on next 2 pages.
- 6. Review Lesson Nine emphasising knowing God's will and opportunities for ministry.
- 7. Discuss your future plans e.g. Dynamic Sharing, discipling another person or other ministry areas. **Complete and present "Certificate of Achievement"** now or at your Discovery Group or Life Group.
- 8. Discuss Membership Orientation Class and Baptism
- 9. Close in prayer using your "Much Prayer-Much Power-Much Praise" prayer sheet. Pray for those you will each train next.

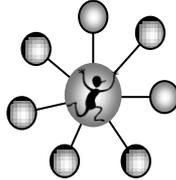
Discovery Group Growth Potential

Elements of a Spontaneous Disciple Making Process

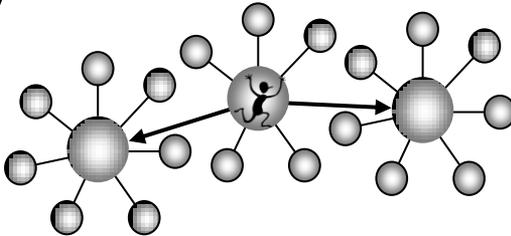
1. Vision and Desire come from God.
2. Prayer to know God's direction for you.
Develop a Prayer Calendar Team of 30 people.
3. Engaging Lost People in the Community.
4. Find a Person who is Interested and Open to the Gospel.



5. Begin a Discovery Group.

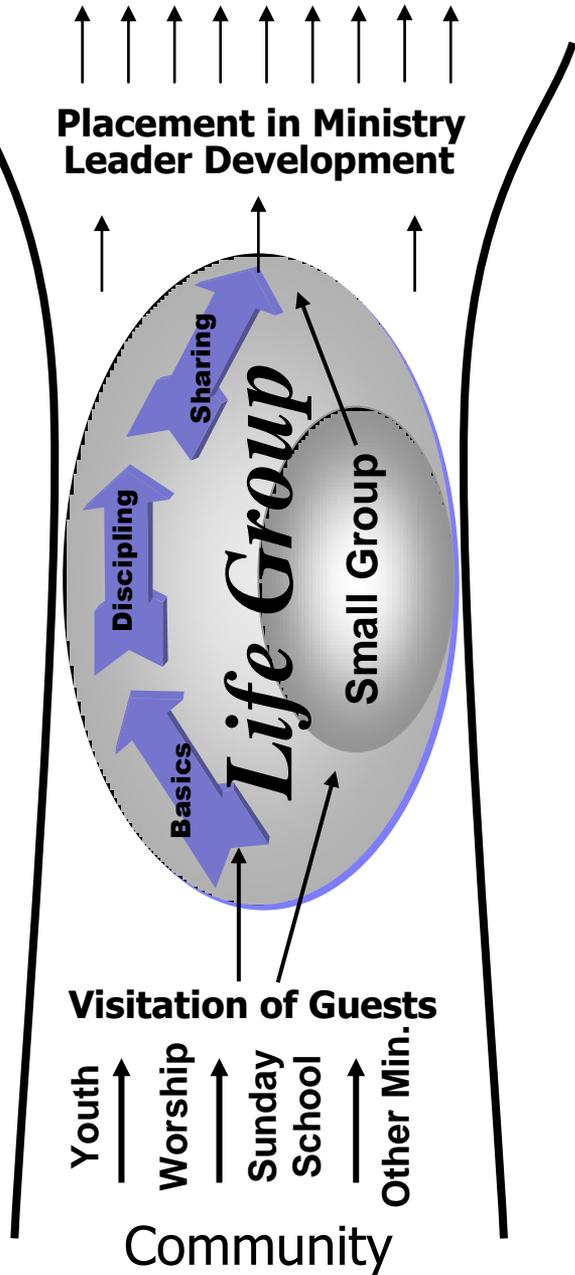


6. Begin other Discovery Groups.



7. Baptize all who receive Jesus Christ.
8. Establish each new Christian using Dynamic Basics One-to-One.
9. Recruit and develop a leader for every new Discovery Group using Dynamic Discipling One-to-One.
10. Expand the present Church Ministry or Plant New Churches.
11. Continue to Mentor the Discovery Group Leaders and Church Planters.

Dynamic Life Process



Small Group + One-to-One = Life Group

Dynamic *DISCIPLING*

Lesson Nine

GOD'S WILL FOR MY FUTURE

Being a Christian affects the way we live but it should also affect our plans for the future. It is a comfort to know that God knows our future and as we submit to His will, we will experience God's best. It has been said "God always gives His best to those who leave the choice to Him."

In this lesson we will learn that God has a plan for our life, and has gifted us uniquely to serve others within His church family.

HOW TO KNOW GOD'S WILL

Read Romans 12:1, 2. According to these verses:

Is it possible to know God's will? _____

How is His will described? _____

The apostle Paul in the previous chapters of Romans has explained the mercies of God in providing such a great plan of salvation. ***"In view of God's mercy"***, what does he urge you to do?

What does "a living sacrifice" mean to you? _____

By presenting ourselves to live holy lives, we worship God and bring Him pleasure. We are not to conform to the pattern or system of the world. What are we to do?

If you do these things what will result? _____

Have you presented yourself totally to God, to be used by Him in any way He chooses? _____. At this moment is the Holy Spirit in control your life? _____

EVALUATE

Read 1 Corinthians 13. The fruit of the Spirit is love. Love displays itself in various ways. Evaluate how the Spirit is demonstrating love through you.

Are you:

Patient with others? _____

Kind to those less fortunate? _____

Envious of those who succeed? _____

Boastful of your achievements? _____

Proud of who you are? _____

Seeking honour for yourself? _____

Rude to anyone? _____

Easily angered by yourself, others or circumstances? _____

Keeping record of any wrong done to you? _____

Enjoying sin? _____

Glad to hear the truth? _____

Trying to protect others? _____

Trusting? _____

Always hopeful? _____

Always persevering? _____

RENEW YOUR MIND

Learn to think as God would think about your future, to see the world as He sees it. You are a unique person, placed by God in your unique setting. To do what? Well, what would Jesus do if He were you? What would He be planning and doing? Would it be limited to your human resources? Would it be successful? Would it be worth devoting your life to? Yes, of course!

He wants that kind of life for you, but we all tend to limit God by our lack of faith and expectations.

Read Jeremiah 29:11-13. What are God's plans for you? _____

Dare to break out of yourself and say "Lord, I am available for you to use me. What do you want to accomplish through me?" God's word says, **"Seek Me and you shall find Me when you search for Me with all your heart"** (v.13). When you seek God's will, you will find it. What would Jesus be doing? Luke 19:10

Would He want to do that through you? _____

What did Jesus tell His disciples to do? Mark 16:15 and

Matthew 28:19, 20 _____

We are all His disciples and each one of us is to reach out and share the gospel with those with whom we come in contact.

WHERE SHOULD YOU MAKE DISCIPLES?

Some are called by God to go to places where no one has heard about Jesus. Others are called to live at home and work at a job in order to reach their neighbours and the people with whom they work. Your ministry is of first importance. Your job could be a means to provide the opportunities for ministry. Elton Trueblood once noted that "work which has no other incentive than the pay cheque is closer to slavery than it is to freedom." But work properly perceived produces wholeness and is an extension of our worship which results in ministry. Secular work can be an act of praise to God.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

To decide what you should do, ask, "What would Jesus do? How would He seek and save the lost through me?"

PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER THE OPPORTUNITIES AROUND YOU

List the names of people you know who may not know God personally.

Start with those around you, but think big.

REPRODUCE YOURSELF

Describe the strategy given in Acts 1:8 _____

What would be your Jerusalem? _____

You must begin where you are and make disciples who will make disciples who will in turn make disciples and so on. If you were married and had 3 children and they each had 3 children and they each had 3 children and they each had 3 children, how many great-great-grandchildren would you have?

YOU
3 children
 $3 \times 3 = 9$ grandchildren
 $9 \times 3 = 27$ great-grandchildren
 $27 \times 3 = 81$ great-great-grandchildren
Total 121 descendants to this point

The church provides opportunities for you to continue to be a disciple and to reproduce yourself as you help others become disciples. Multiplication comes only as you reproduce yourself (equip others to do what you do).

Start by learning to lead others to Christ. **Make disciples!**

MINISTERING THROUGH THE CHURCH

Different ministries will produce different results. One ministry leads to conversions; another ministry helps Christians grow. There are varieties of gifts, services and results.

What is Ministry? It is the reasonable service of all Christians responding to Christ's command to act out a life-style of love to believers and non-believers alike.

Christians are to be fishers of _____. Matthew 4:19

Christians are to be _____. Matthew 5:13

Christians are to be _____. Matthew 5:14

Christians are to be _____. Matthew 9:38

Christians are to feed the _____. Ezekiel 18:7b

Christians are to _____. Mark 10:45

“God is vitally interested in every sphere of our life: church, family, leisure and occupation. God does not limit His interest to our ‘churchly’ activities. He is as interested in how we paint a house, or teach school as He is in how we pray, read the Bible or sing a hymn. God does not make a distinction between ‘secular’ and ‘sacred’. All is under His sovereignty. God’s call on our lives causes us to view every activity as an opportunity through which we can praise God and serve humankind. Rather than saying, “I am not a minister, I’m a carpenter,” one should explain, “I’m a minister through my carpentry”. The mere task does not make it ministry. It becomes “ministry” when done in a manner which conforms to biblical principles and when it is viewed as an opportunity to cause others to think more highly of Christ. We are most the church when we are not in the church building!” Timothy Two by John Maxwell

GOD GIVES US SPIRITUAL GIFTS TO SERVE

Spiritual gifts are mentioned in three New Testament letters. We shall concentrate our study on the primary gifts listed in Romans 12. The other gifts are listed in I Corinthians 12 and Ephesians 4.

List the seven gifts found in Romans 12:6-8. _____

God gives every Christian at least one spiritual gift. Consider the above list. How has God gifted you for serving others?

What evidence have you seen of this gift being demonstrated through you?

If you are not sure, discuss this with your discipler. You may need to try serving in different ways to discover where you fit as a functioning part of the Body of Christ.

APPLICATION

CHOOSE A MINISTRY

Pray and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you. To best use your spiritual gifts try to conclude a general area of service, e.g.: teaching, serving, etc.

Do you enjoy leading people in large groups _____,

Small groups _____, or one-to-one _____

Do you enjoy working with: seniors _____, middle adults _____

young adults _____, youth _____, children _____

babies _____.

List below the opportunities available in your church.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Discuss this with your discipler and choose the ministry for which you believe God is preparing you.

I would choose _____ ministry.

The purpose of your ministry is to serve others as Jesus would serve them so that God will be glorified.

TRAIN FOR EFFECTIVE SERVICE

Training is essential if one is to be involved in fruitful ministry. It is unfair to ask people to fulfil important roles in the church without offering them any training opportunities. Any person who takes his service to God seriously must give adequate attention to preparation. Ministry is not automatic; it needs avenues for training and expression. Training must be designed with clear objectives, goals and methods.

Why is it important to be trained for ministry? 2 Timothy 2:15

What opportunities are there in your church for training?

CONTINUE TO LEARN AND GROW

Read I Corinthians 2:6-16. We all have much to learn about God. Be sure to continue in the process of growth. The next step is for you to be trained in Dynamic Sharing. (Read through the “Dynamic Sharing One-to-One an Opportunity” sheet if needed.)

Continue to use your “My Daily Time With God” sheets to maintain consistent study of God's Word. Choose the books you want to study and check off the “My Daily Time With God Bible Reading Record” as you complete each chapter. Additional study sheets are available from your church office or may be ordered from Dynamic Churches International.

(For many other valuable resources designed to help you grow in your relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ please visit our website at: www.dynamicchurches.org (Many you can download free of cost).

MY DAILY TIME WITH GOD

Week of _____ to _____ 20 _____

This Week's Memory Verse: (Review Each Day)

Reference _____

Day 1 Bible Reading Reference _____

Most Meaningful Verse _____

What Impressed Me Was _____

God is Teaching Me _____

My Response Is _____

Day 2 Bible Reading Reference _____

Most Meaningful Verse _____

What Impressed Me Was _____

God is Teaching Me _____

My Response Is _____

Day 3 Bible Reading Reference _____

Most Meaningful Verse _____

What Impressed Me Was _____

God is Teaching Me _____

My Response Is _____

Day 4 Bible Reading Reference _____

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What Impressed Me Was _____

God is Teaching Me _____

My Response Is _____

Day 5 Bible Reading Reference _____

Most Meaningful Verse _____

What Impressed Me Was _____

God is Teaching Me _____

My Response Is _____

Day 6 Bible Reading Reference _____

Most Meaningful Verse _____

What Impressed Me Was _____

God is Teaching Me _____

My Response Is _____

MESSAGE OUTLINE

Topic _____

Date _____ Speaker _____

Scripture Reference _____

List Main Points and Key Thoughts for Each

What Impressed Me Was _____

God is Teaching Me _____

My Response is _____
