

Discipleship Within the Church – Is There Any?

Is your church intentional about discipling its members, especially the new converts and the less mature. Is your church patient with the development and growth of those more difficult or trying? Is your church active in training up men in the way Paul prescribed to Timothy:

"What you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also" (2 Tim. 2:2)?

Is your church:

"Teaching the older women to live in a way that honors God. They must not slander others or be heavy drinkers. Instead, they should teach others what is good. These older women must train the younger women to love their husbands and their children, to live wisely and be pure, to work in their homes, to do good, and to be submissive to their husbands. Then they will not bring shame on the word of God." (Tit. 2:3-5)?

Below is a list of eight foundational mentoring and discipling questions designed for one-on-one time with a Christian man. These questions assume the person you are discipling professes Christ and has at least a basic understanding of the gospel—if not, begin there first. Use these questions naturally as you walk alongside a man in discipleship; they are not meant to be exhaustive, but to serve as a helpful guide for meaningful, Christ-centered conversations:

- 1. Are you reading your Bible? What are you learning? Is there anything you don't understand? (Get him on a Bible reading plan for accountability & consistency.)**
- 2. How's your prayer life? Has God answered any of your prayers this week? Recently?**
- 3. Where is God showing you sin in your life? Where do you need to grow? What are some temptations you're facing? What part of your old life do you feel is hardest to leave behind? What do you want to see changed? Let's pray for this right now.**

4. Where has your walk with Christ been evident this week? For example, where have you seen victory over sin? Faith in the midst of trials?
5. Have you shared the gospel with anyone this week? Who are some people in your life you'd like to see saved? What are some ways to see this happen?
6. What's the most challenging thing in your life this week? Recently? Let's pray about it right now.
7. How are your relationships with others going? At work, in the home, on social media, in the community?
8. Where do you see yourself in 6 months? 12 months? 5 years? What are your spiritual, family, & material goals? How can you get there?

*"When I enter that beautiful city,
And the Saints all around me appear,
I hope that someone will tell me:
It was you who invited me here"*

~ Corrie Ten Boom

"But my life is worth nothing to me unless I use it for finishing the work assigned to me by the Lord Jesus - the work of telling others the Good News about the wonderful grace of God."

(Acts 20:24)