

PRESENTING "THE VISION" TO A PROSPECTIVE DISCIPLE

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1. James 4:14

A. How does this describe our life?

B. In light of this verse, how do you think God would want us to invest our life?

OBJECTIVE: Help them realize life is short and they must invest it in eternal things.

2. Luke 6:46-49

A. What is Jesus trying to tell us here?

B. Who has the right to call Him Lord?

C. Describe the two kinds of people in this passage?

D. Which one do you want to be?

E. What kind of foundation do you think you will have to have to be this kind of person?

OBJECTIVE: Help them see what is involved in calling Jesus Lord and to build a spiritual foundation to last a lifetime.

3. Matthew 28:18-20

A. What does Jesus command us to do in this passage? I'll draw out an illustration of what could happen if this verse is applied. If someone were to disciple you for a year and then at the end of the year each of you were to start discipling another student for a year you'd have 4. If all four took on another for a year how many would you have at the end of the 3rd year? End of 4th year? Guess how long it would take to win and disciple the entire world if the chain wasn't broken? . This process of multiplication that Jesus commands us to give ourselves to is called, "The Great Commission". Does that sound like something you would like to get involved in?

B. In your thinking, what is a disciple? What does the passage say it is?

C. Why do you think Jesus wanted them to make disciples and not just converts? What is the difference?

D. Here is a diagram that shows the different stages of growth in fulfilling this command of Jesus: "The Great Commission".

E. Where would you place yourself on this diagram? Having just made a decision, established as a committed disciple, or having already won others to Christ and disciplined them?

F. Where do you think God would want you to be? What do you think it will take to become what God wants you to? Let's list them . . .

G. Before you can make a disciple you must first become a disciple. Are you sure you want to become a disciple?

H. Do you think you could use some help in becoming a disciple?

I. I would be willing to help you grow and become a disciple if that's what you really want to do. There are three essential ingredients, though, that a person needs if they are going to become a disciple. They must be Faithful (committed to follow through), Available (willing to be flexible in your schedule where we can meet), and Teachable (willing to learn and apply the things we work on). Are you sure you still want to become a disciple and learn how to make disciples?!

J. Well, I would consider it a privilege to spend time with you and help you to grow and get established. We can team up together to help fulfill this Great Commission that the Lord has given us. Tell you what, why don't we meet tomorrow morning to just pray together and talk about how we can get started?

OBJECTIVE: Help them to realize they need to become a disciple through getting training from someone and you are willing to be that someone