## Doxa Men's Ministry 2025-2026 Base Camp for the Great Commission



## #3 - How Do We Disciple?

November 15, 2025

#### **Breakfast Discussion**

- 1. At the end of the last lesson, we were asked to share action steps we intended to take. Any progress?
- 2. Last time, we gave out the booklet *How Can I Find Someone to Disciple Me?* If you read it, share how you grew or were encouraged, about both your being a potential disciplee and potential discipler.

#### **Review and Introduction**

#### **Table Discussion**

At your tables, each man share with your brothers two or three insights from the reading that you found helpful and why (E.g., How were you convicted? How were you encouraged? Did you see something new or from a new angle? Etc.)

### **Large Group Discussion on the Book**

**Chapter 6: Pastors and Members** 

#### **Chapter 7: Choose Someone**

#### **Chapter 8: Have Clear Aims**

#### What Is a Disciple?

From what we know of Scripture, how else would you characterize someone who is a disciple of Jesus? What practices, values, and passions does he have? What actions and character qualities?<sup>1</sup>

**Chapter 9: Pay the Cost** 

**Chapter 10: Raising Up Leaders Conclusion** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See also handout "Profile of a Maturing Christian Adult," page 7.

## **Seven Keys to Helping Others Grow**

#### 1. Pray

- For yourself
- For them
- With them

Some Prayers of Paul:	
2 Corinthians 13:7-9	1 Thessalonians 5:23-24
Ephesians 1:15-23	2 Thessalonians 1:11-12
Ephesians 3:14-21	2 Thessalonians 2:16-17
Philippians 1:9-11	2 Thessalonians 3:16
Colossians 1:9-14	Philemon 4-6
1 Thessalonians 3:12-13	Hebrews 13:20-21

#### 2. Be a friend

#### 1 Thessalonians 2:8 (ESV)<sup>2</sup>

<sup>8</sup> So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

#### 3. Prominent use of Scripture

- In your own life
- In discipling

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#### 2 Timothy 3:16-17

<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

#### Hebrews 4:12

<sup>12</sup> 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.

#### 4. Have a plan for growth, but be flexible

#### 5. Be a model

#### 1 Thessalonians 2:10

<sup>10</sup> You are witnesses, and God also, how holy and righteous and blameless was our conduct toward you believers.

## 6. Encourage them to apply what they're learning 1 Thessalonians 2:11-12

<sup>11</sup> For you know how, like a father with his children, <sup>12</sup> we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

#### James 1:22-25

<sup>22</sup> But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. <sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. <sup>25</sup> But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

- What is the goal?
- What does this look like practically?

#### 7. Keep each other accountable

"Accountability is a way of life within my friendships that invites others to speak the truth in love to me and gives me freedom to speak the truth in love to others. The goal is a more Christ-like life."

#### **Hebrews 10:24**

<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works,

#### **Ephesians 4:15**

<sup>15</sup> Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,

# Optional Homework: A Case Study: Moses and Joshua

For each of the following passages, identify elements of Moses' investment in Joshua.

**Exodus 17:8-15** 

Exodus 24:12-18

**Exodus 32:15-18** 

**Exodus 33:7-11** 

Numbers 11:26-30

Numbers 27:12-23

**Deuteronomy 31:7-8** 

**Deuteronomy 34:9** 

**Judges 2:6-13** 

## **Closing Instructions and Hymn**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Source unknown.

#### O Church Arise

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O church arise and put your armour on Hear the call of Christ our Captain For now the weak can say that they are strong

In the strength that God has given With shield of faith and belt of truth We'll stand against the devil's lies An army bold whose battle cry is Love Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword that makes the wounded
whole

We will fight with faith and valour
When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have the prize for which He
died

An inheritance of nations

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet

As the Son of God is stricken

Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet

For the Conqueror has risen And as the stone is rolled away And Christ emerges from the grave This victory march continues till the day Every eye and heart shall see Him

So Spirit come put strength in every stride Give grace for every hurdle That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a servant good and faithful As saints of old still line the way Retelling triumphs of His grace We hear their calls and hunger for the day When with Christ we stand in glory

## **Sharing and Prayer**

#### Each man share:

- 1. What one or two things did you learn or were reminded of today that were especially impactful?
- 2. What action steps are you going to take as a result?
- 3. What obstacles do you envision?
- 4. Pray for each other.

## **Profile of a Maturing Christian Adult**

#### **Kevin Stuhlmann**

- 1. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by an active relationship with God in Christ, mediated through Bible intake and prayer, and marked by love and trust.
- 2. A maturing Christian adult is one whose interpersonal relationships are increasingly characterized by  $agap\bar{e}$  love and servanthood, as defined and illuminated by Scripture.
- 3. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by a mental and volitional commitment to self-examination, personal holiness, obedience to God through the Lordship of Christ, and ongoing sanctification, in reliance on the Holy Spirit.
- 4. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by a life of holistic worship and thanksgiving to God.
- 5. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by a commitment to participation in the life of the Christian community.
- 6. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by a commitment to and participation in the personal and universal spread of the gospel message.
- 7. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by a commitment to and participation in the personal and universal task of training disciples.
- 8. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by responsible, generous stewardship of all God's gifts, including resources, abilities, and spiritual gifts for the blessing of others and the furtherance of God's kingdom.
- 9. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by compassionate service to the poor, sick, and otherwise oppressed.
- 10. A maturing Christian adult is characterized by an ongoing fundamental realignment of one's thoughts and affections; away from worldly perspective and towards a biblical perspective of God and creation.