

Be Disciples That Make Disciples

THE MASTER DISCIPLEMAKER – Part 4

February 15, 2026

Three Key Questions For Every Disciple:

- **Who is the King?**

²⁷ Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, “Who do people say I am?”

²⁸ They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.”

²⁹ “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

Peter answered, “You are the Messiah.”

Mark 8:27-29

- **What is the Kingdom?**

³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. “Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”

Mark 8:31-33

- **Will you follow the King?**

³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?”

Mark 8:34-37

Three Key Relationships For Every Disciple



Circle 1: ***“Father, I want them to know you and to glorify you.”***

¹After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. ²For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. ³Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

John 17:1-5

Circle 2: ***“Father, protect and sanctify them when you send them.”***

¹⁵My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. ¹⁷Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world.

John 17:15-18

Circle 3: ***“Father, I pray for those who will believe in me in the future.”***

²⁰“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—

John 17:20-22

Small Group Discussion Questions for the Week of February 15, 2026.

Opening

1. Is there someone in your life that you admire and want to be like?
2. Who are they? What do you admire about them?

Digging Deeper into the Scriptures

Read Mark 8:27-38

1. Why do you think Jesus asks his disciples, "Who do you say I am?" *after* asking what others were saying about him?
2. How might your answer to "Who do you say I am?" change your priorities or lifestyle today?

Read John 17:1-26.

3. How does Jesus define eternal life in verse 3, and how does this change the way we think about it?
4. What was Jesus' primary concern for his disciples as he prepared to leave?
5. What kind of unity does Jesus pray for (vv. 21-23), and what is the standard for this unity?

Applying the Scriptures

1. Do you have all three of these relationships?
2. Which of these three do you need to grow in?

