

# THE LOST ART OF DISCIPLESHIP

MIDWEEK SERVICE | THURSDAY, JULY 9

**Matthew 4:18-22** *And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. 19 And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. 20 And they straightway left their nets, and followed him. 21 And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them. 22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.*

**Matthew 28:18-20** *And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.*

**2 Timothy 2:1-4** *Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. 3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.*

*Not only is discipleship a mandate in the scripture,  
but it is also modeled in the scripture,  
most notably by the Lord Jesus Christ and the Apostle Paul!*

## Two Introductory Truths Concerning Discipleship:

- A biblical \_\_\_\_\_ is a man or woman that is grounded in the word of God (John 15:7-8; 2 Timothy 3:15-17), given to the work of God (John 15:8, 16; Titus 3:8), and governed by the love of God (John 13:34-35).
- A biblical \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_-maker, is a man or woman that INTENTIONALLY invests his/her time, talents, and treasures into the life of another influencing them and impacting them for Christ and the cause of Christ (Matthew 4:18-22; 2 Timothy 2:2; 3:10)!

*Disciple-making is the process of taking a man or woman under our wing—regardless of who they are, where they come from, or what they've done—and see them changed by the word of God for the work of God to the glory of God!*

## PRINCIPLES TO PONDER:

1. **Biblical Discipleship, or Disciple-making, is the \_\_\_\_\_ of taking a man or woman from where they are to where God wants them to be (Matthew 4:18-22).**
2. **Biblical Discipleship, or Disciple-making, is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all followers of Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:18-20).**
3. **Biblical Discipleship, or Disciple-making, takes a \_\_\_\_\_ on the part of both the one being discipled and the one doing the discipling (2 Timothy 2:2).**
4. **Biblical Discipleship, or Disciple-making, is the process of lovingly \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a man or woman all that the Lord and others have taught us (Matthew 28:18-19; 2 Timothy 2:2).**
5. **Discipleship makes a \_\_\_\_\_ not only in the life of the one being discipled, but in the one doing the discipling!**