



2010

Discipleship Framework

Study Guide on Evangelism

Welcome to your study on Evangelism

This is the first study guide produced by People Christian Fellowship (PCF) in relation to the Discipleship Framework. Within this document you will find a daily reading plan. Committing to this is a very important part of your biblical study and will help you in gaining wisdom and understanding of God's word. PCF Wednesday evening prayer meetings are a great place to receive teaching on different aspects of the book as we all learn together. Your discipler will also be studying with you and will challenge you to search the depths of God's word.

Individual Study

Your reading plan is very important; it will help you to develop the spiritual discipline of studying God's word. We suggest that you spend a short time in prayer before and after studying; asking God to open your heart to His truth. By studying His word you will increase your faith, arm yourself for the challenges ahead and gain knowledge and understanding of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit so that you may confidently witness to others. **Everybody** should follow the daily study plan.

Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting

Spending time in corporate prayer is a vital ingredient for your Spiritual development. As part of the shift to develop the discipleship framework, the prayer meeting bible study section will follow alongside the discipleship study plan. Prayer meeting will be a great opportunity for you to receive comprehensive teaching on a number of key themes found in John's Gospel.

Discipleship Meetings

The Christian walk is not merely an experiential moment of spiritual enlightenment, but a journey toward maturation, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. The Church 'is one', purposed for the building up of the saints in preparation for works of service; identified by its unity with Christ and amongst its members (John 17:21). The basic philosophy of the discipleship framework is:

A community of believers growing in Christ, who are accountable and involved in one another's lives.

The framework promotes a level of accountability in relation to the exercise of spiritual disciplines and a degree of involvement which supports wholesome and fruitful relationships. Through the framework the gifts of all believers can be mobilised to advance the Kingdom of God.

The study below should be used only as a rough guide.

During the study section of the meeting disciplers and disciplees should work through the study questions together discussing any revelations, opinions, issues or thoughts that may arise. You do not have to be a bible scholar to conduct or participate in the bible study. Difficult questions that may arise should be noted and brought to the church leadership.

Below is a rough guide formatting a typical disciple meeting.

Action	Explanation
Open in Prayer	Spend a short time in prayer, asking God to be in the midst of your meeting.
Reflection	You may want to start with some general reflection on how the week has been. Do not try to force information out. The amount of information should be determined by the disciplee
Study	The whole church will be studying the same book at the same time. In this section you could start by reflecting on what you have studied in the previous meeting, any homework and/or revelations. Follow the study guide and try to complete as much as you can.
Reflection	Recap what you have learnt and ask if there are specific areas of intended application. Please also share your areas of intended application. Ensure you set a task to be completed by the next meeting.
Pray	Ask your disciplee if there are any areas of their life they would like you like to pray for/about. Please also remember your community within your prayers. You could also ask your disciplee to pray.
Encourage	Before you meet prepare an encouragement for your disciplee. It must be specific. (Preferably scripture based).

A Study on Evangelism

The Authority of Christ is the Power of Evangelism and the passion for evangelism is obedience. Because He is the Sovereign Lord of the universe, Jesus had both the authority to command His followers to be witnesses and the power to enable them to obey the command. The Lordship of Christ demands absolute obedience hence understanding the authority of Christ is critical to fulfilling our purpose on earth. With our consciences distracted by sin, we are confronted with the call of Jesus to spontaneous obedience and it is our positive response to His call that guarantees access to God's power. It is only through obedience that you come to know truth, so obedience is critical to growing in knowledge in our walk with God. You can only know and think of evangelism by actually doing it and it is in the 'doing' that we discover passion and strength to be salt and light in the earth (Mat 5:13).

Our study this week will focus on benefits of Obedience (2).

Already Covered:

1. The lordship of Christ(The Power of Evangelism)

The areas we will cover are:

2. The Gospel(The Purpose of Evangelism)
3. Declaring the Gospel (The Practice of Evangelism)
4. The cost of Discipleship(The Price Of Evangelism)

Prayer Meeting and Discipleship Study Guide on Prayer

Prayer Meeting study duration: 1 weeks

Total Prayer Meeting teaching time: 1/2 Hour

Start Date: 09/08/10 End Date: 15/08/10

Discipleship study duration: 1 weeks

Total Discipleship reading time: 1.5 hours (15mins a day)

Week and Date	Focal Area	Prayer meeting Bible Study	Discipleship Reading Plan	Discipleship Study Questions
<p>Week 63 Monday 9th August – Sunday 15th August</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Wednesday 11th August 2010</p> <p>Obedience, The Passion of Evangelism</p> <p>1 Samuel 15:22-23</p> <p>So Samuel said: “Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than fat rams.”</p> <p>Matthew 28:18-19a</p> <p>And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “all authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.....”</p>	<p>Monday 1 Samuel 15:22-23</p> <p>Tuesday 1 Samuel 15</p> <p>Wednesday 1 Samuel 15</p> <p>Thursday Matthew 28:18.19</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What does this passage reveal about the character of God? Read 1 Sam 15:20-21, why do you think Saul continued in justifying himself instead of confessing and repenting from his sin? 2. How would you describe Saul’s final confrontation with Samuel? What excuses did Saul give in this instance for his partial obedience? What are your excuses for partially obeying God? 3. Think about the role of Samuel in context of today’s scripture. Whom has God put in your life who needs a strong dose of tough love and blunt truth? How can you be the compassionate & yet courageous voice of God to that person? 4. Why was it necessary for Christ to establish His authority before issuing the Great Commission? Read John 15:5

			<p>Friday Matthew 28:19 1 Samuel 15:22</p> <p>Saturday Matthew 28:18</p> <p>Sunday Matthew 16:25 Summing Up...</p>	<p>5. In light of today's scriptures how would you define obedience and what is your understanding of Samuel's statement "...to obey is better than sacrifice...?"</p> <p>6. Why should we be passionate about evangelism? Read John 15:5, 2 Cor 5:18-20 & Eph 2:10</p> <p>In a sense the life of evangelism involves sacrificing the greater for the lesser, the worthy for the unworthy. God's word is clear that if we are committed to the salvation of those who do not know Jesus Christ, we will lose ourselves in order to reach them. Obedience is denying self.... May God remove those things in our heart that are hindering us from fully obeying the Great Commission. Amen</p>
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