



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

According to the New Testament, evangelism is just preaching the **Gospel**. It is a work of communication in which Christians make themselves mouthpieces for God's message of mercy to sinners (2 Corinthians 5:18-20). Therefore, understanding the Gospel is critical to effective evangelism. Effective does not refer to fruits produced through our evangelistic efforts but rather *faithfully* making the Gospel *message* known. The purpose of this week's study, is to, emphasise six important points that should be included in any gospel presentation. The six points are; (1) The Holiness of God. (2) The reality of man's Sin (3) The Person and Work of Jesus Christ (4) God's demands of all sinners (5) Carefully counting the cost of following Christ (6) No Need For a delayed Response. It would be helpful to browse through last month's study on *The Fall Of Man*, to reinforce the relevance of the Gospel.

Already Covered:

1. The lordship of Christ(The Power of Evangelism)
2. Obedience (The Passion of Evangelism)

The areas we will cover are:

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4. Declaring the Gospel (The Practice of Evangelism)
5. 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: 16/08/10 End Date: 22/08/10

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 64 Monday 16th August – Sunday 22th August</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>Wednesday 18th August 2010</p> <p>The Gospel (Purpose of Evangelism)</p> <p>Leviticus 11:44-45</p> <p>“ I am the LORD your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am holy... you shall be holy, for I am holy.”</p> <p>Romans 3:10-12</p> <p>“...There is none who understands; there is none who seeks after God. They have all turned aside; they have all become unprofitable; There is none who does good, no, not one.”</p>	<p>Monday Psalm 111:10</p> <p>Tuesday Jeremiah 6:14 Romans 6:23</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>2 Cor. 5:21 Eph. 1:7-8</p> <p>Thursday Ezek 18:30,32 Acts 17:30</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. God is a holy God who demands reverential fear and respect. Why does much contemporary evangelism focus on the love of God at the expense of His holiness? What does God’s holiness mean to you? 2. Why is the gospel good news? Think about the Holiness of God and the sinfulness of man.... 3. The Gospel is something objective. It is a message of who Christ is and what he did. Why is Christ’s atoning (death) sacrifice sufficient for the salvation of sinners? 4. God requires people to completely forsake everything else they trust in and turn to Christ as Lord and Saviour. What profound changes are involved in the process of ‘forsaking everything else’? Also consider 1 Thes. 1:9, Luke 9:23, Rom. 10:9

			<p>Friday Luke 14:26-33</p> <p>Saturday Isaiah 55:6-7</p> <p>Sunday Ephesians 2:13 Romans 8:4 Summing Up...</p>	<p>5. Salvation is free but there is a cost that results from salvation. Mediate on today's text, is there anything in your life that God requires you to forsake but you are struggling to let go? Things like personal freedom, relationships etc</p> <p>6. Why should unbelievers not delay their response to the Gospel?</p> <p>The good news of the Gospel is that Jesus lived a life of perfect righteousness, of perfect obedience to God, not for His own well being but for His people. He has done for me what I couldn't possibly do for myself. But not only has He lived that life of perfect obedience, He offered Himself as a perfect sacrifice to satisfy the justice and the righteousness of God. "But NOW in Christ Jesus YOU who once were FAR OFF have been brought NEAR by the BLOOD OF CHRIST." Hallelujah.</p>
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