

# WONDERS

Title: **THE WONDERS OF MAKING DISCIPLES**

Date: **May 26, 2024**

## Leader's Tips:

- S** - Sensitivity with others. No one should feel left out.
- P** - Participation is encouraged during discussion.
- A** - Acknowledge guests. Make them feel welcome.
- C** - Confidentiality is key. What is shared stays in the group.
- E** - Encourage the group to pray for one another.

## WORSHIP: (15 mins)

### Venue Option 1: Home gatherings

*Sing one or two songs or play a song from You Tube.*

**Venue Option 2: Public place (school, café, park, etc.) or Via Online, ask, "What is your "high" or "your "low" this past week?"**

## WELCOME:(15 mins): Remember I.W.C.

**I** - Introduce yourself.

**W** - Welcome guests/first-time visitors.

**C** - Cheer up (say a word of encouragement) someone within the group.

**Memory Verse for the week: Matthew 4:19-20**

## Ice-breaker/Humor:

**Q: Why were Peter, Andrew James and John can qualify to be good comedians?**

**A: Because as former fishermen, they know how to drop a line.**

## WORD (30–45 mins) - Text: Matthew 4:18-20 NKJV

God's main call is for us to follow Jesus and develop an intimate relationship with Him by aligning with His will. Moving in the opposite direction hinders this relationship. By following Jesus, we are transformed into His likeness and guided to pursue His mission on earth.

**What are the wonders in making disciples of Christ when we follow Him:**

### 1. We see God work through us to help others get saved

*Discipleship begins with salvation before the person becomes a follower of Christ.*

**Q: Was there ever a time in the past when you were instrumental in the rescue of an individual? Share us your story?**

We are called to join Christ's mission to save people from an eternity in hell. Christ's death on the cross saves us from the consequences of sin, and after being saved, we are called to share the gospel of His salvation. **Read Mark 16:15-16 NIV**

Moreover, we can become instrumental in bringing people back to God through Christ. **Read 2 Corinthians 5:18-20 NIV**

Evangelist Reinhard Bonnke before he passed away, led around 79 million people to Christ through his crusades in the continent of Africa and other parts of the world. At the beginning of his life he prayed, "Lord I am not asking for a million dollars but for a million souls." In the years that followed, he saw tens of millions of souls come to salvation in Jesus.

### 2. We see God work through us to help others follow Jesus— Read Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

Following Jesus Christ means being dedicated to His teachings, growing in faith, and helping others do the same. After leading a person to Christ, we should baptize them as a public declaration of their faith then teach them to live as Christ followers. Salvation is just the beginning; we must mentor and guide new believers on their lifelong journey of discipleship.

**Q: Is there someone you know you can pray and lead to Christ in the coming weeks?**

### 3. We see God work through others to make disciples—2 Timothy 2:1-2 (NIV)

Jesus did not intend for His followers to make disciples only to a second level. He wants us to make disciples who, in turn, will make more disciples. His vision is for us to create a multi-generational movement of discipleship.

Paul instructed Timothy to find faithful men, invest in them, and encourage them to do the same. This process has allowed the gospel to reach our generation and will continue until the return of Christ.

**Q: What can we do to emphasize the importance of passing our faith from one generation to the next?**

**Conclusion:** We all long for a meaningful and purposeful life. Regardless of your current vocation, as a follower of Christ, you are called to make disciples. Nothing compares to the fulfillment that comes from answering God's call and living out His purpose.

**Q: What is your take-away from the discussion?** Partner with someone in prayer.

## WORK: The Challenge (15 mins.)

**P- Pray** for one another. Ask "*what can I pray for you?*" (7mins.)

**R- Remind** to invite a friend on the next gathering.

**A- Apply** the message during the week.

**Y- Yearn** to share your faith with some one during the week.