

A STRATEGIC APPROACH TO DISCIPLESHIP

GRACE-DEPENDENT DISCIPLESHIP

IT'S NOT ALL ON YOU.



MARK 28:16-20

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~~MENTORSHIP?~~

~~FRIENDSHIP?~~

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship is mutually consenting relationship designated for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.

II Timothy 3:16-17

Some may be seeking:

- Deep, intimate, long-lasting relationship
- Compatible personalities
- Shared experiences
- Shared calling

These relational elements alleviate some of the pressures of relationship-building, but they are not necessary for discipleship.

THE POWER OF DIFFERENCE

Difference may be one of the most powerful aspects of a discipleship relationship

QUESTIONS

WHAT IF I DON'T KNOW
WHAT TO SAY?

1. The only time that you need to have "the answer" is when someone asks a question.

It's okay to say, "I don't know."

Listen to the Holy Spirit for the answer in the moment or seek the answers on your own time.

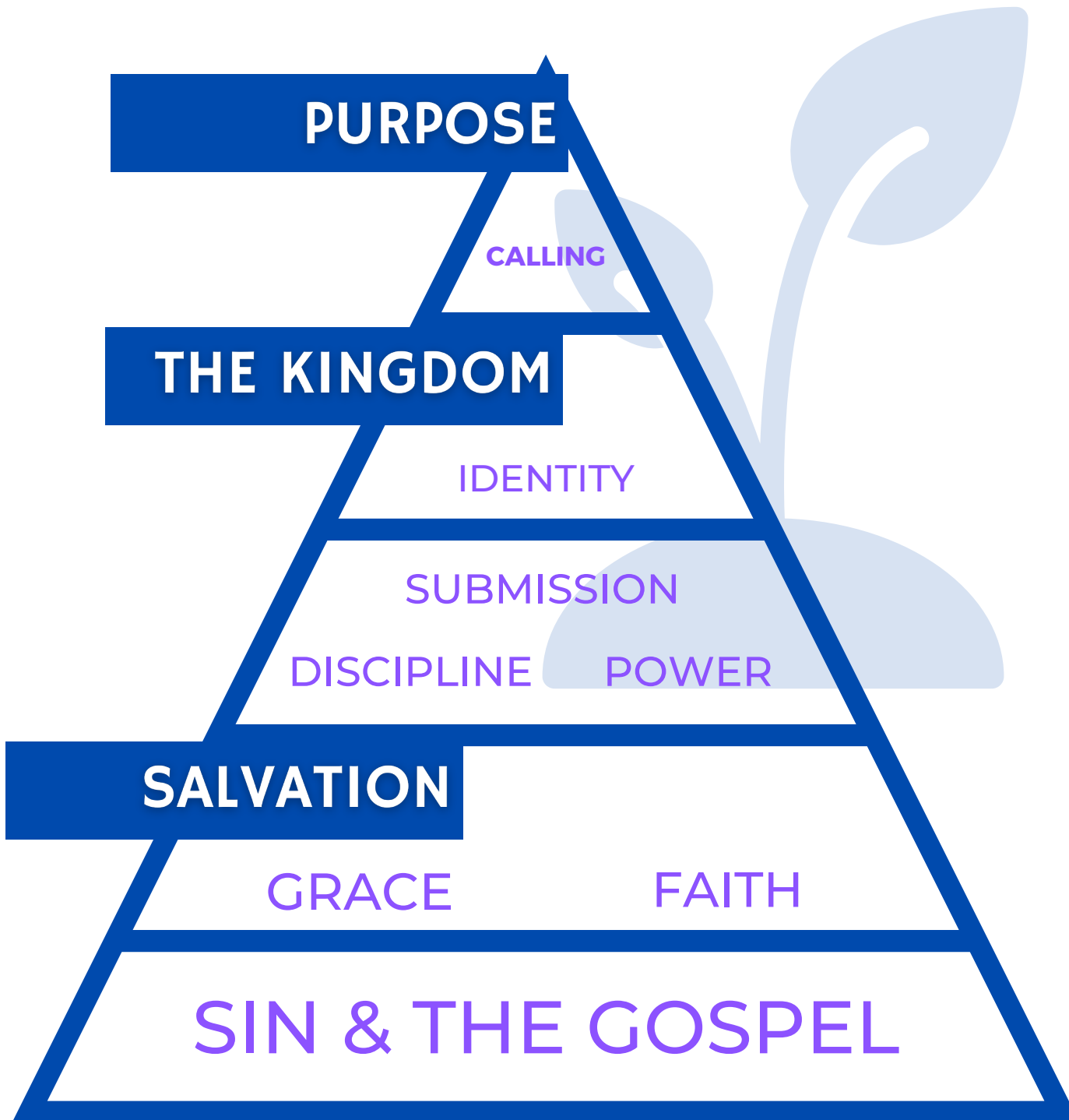
God answers questions through the discussion, if you allow and expect Him!

2. If they don't have a question, then I am the one who should be asking questions.

Get to know them.

Get to know their story and journey in the faith!

3. The questions that I ask can and should reveal questions, patterns, and areas for growth.



FOUNDATIONAL EDIFICATION

LISTEN ACTIVELY

You are listening in two different realms. Listen to the voice of the disciple and listen for the voice of the LORD.

DISCERN DEFICITS

Your role is to look for where the disciple can be strengthened in the foundations of their understanding of man (themselves), God and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Many people feel obliged to master things concerning the Kingdom of God and their purpose, before salvation itself. Discipleship provides an opportunity to ensure that the elementary principles are present, accurate and appropriately adhered to.

HEBREWS 6:1-2

INFORM + EDIFY

Deficits in foundational understanding will impact multiple areas of a person's life and understanding. Through patient and active listening you discover opportunities to clearly teach into the deficit understanding.

The wisdom of God reveals how essential topics are connected to practical life experiences.

8 PILLARS OF DISCIPLESHIP

CHOICE

TO START, CONTINUE, OR END A DISCIPLESHIP RELATIONSHIP REQUIRES THE CONSENT OF BOTH PERSONS.

ENTERING DISCIPLESHIP FOR A SEASON CREATES NO MANDATE FOR THE FUTURE OF THE RELATIONSHIP.

TRUST

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE VULNERABILITIES THAT WE SHARE WITH EACH OTHER ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SHARPENING, AND NOT TO BE SHARED WITH ANOTHER UNDISCLOSED INDIVIDUAL, GROUP, OR COUNSEL.

HUMANITY

IN PURSUIT OF UNDERSTANDING, I HOLD MYSELF ACCOUNTABLE TO HEAR YOUR BURDENS AND CONSIDER YOUR HUMANITY BEFORE I INTELLECTUALIZE YOUR FLAWS.

VULNERABILITY

I UNDERSTAND THAT RELATIONSHIPS CAN BE UNCOMFORTABLE AND HONOR THE RISK THAT IT TAKES TO BE HONEST, DIRECT, AND TRANSPARENT.

In Giving Discipleship

REGARD FOR SCRIPTURE

I UNDERSTAND THAT MY ROLE IS NOT TO APPEAR AS BEING WITHOUT FLAW AND I AM WILLING TO USE MY OWN WEAKNESS TO SUPPORT IN YOUR STRENGTHENING.

DISCERNMENT

I SEEK TO SUBMIT TO THE WISDOM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT TO KNOW FLESH VERSES SPIRIT AND TO RESPOND IN FAVOR OF YOUR BECOMING THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD

HONOR

I CAN SHOW YOU THE ERROR OF YOUR FLESH WITHOUT HANDLING YOU LIKE SOMEONE WHO IS UNDESERVING OF THE IMPUTED RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD

TRANSPARENCY

I UNDERSTAND THAT MY ROLE IN YOUR DISCIPLESHIP IS NOT TO APPEAR AS BEING WITHOUT FLAW AND I AM WILLING TO USE MY OWN WEAKNESS TO SUPPORT IN YOUR STRENGTHENING.

In Receiving Discipleship

REGARD FOR SCRIPTURE

IF I CHOOSE TO SHARE MY EXPERIENCE, I AM SHARING THE FULL TRUTH AS OPPOSED TO A NARRATIVE OR THE STORY BY WHICH I WANT TO BE KNOWN.

DISCERNMENT

I SEEK TO SUBMIT TO THE WISDOM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT TO RECEIVE COUNSEL AND ALSO TEST IT TO DISCERN WHETHER THERE BE A SPIRIT OF TRUTH OR ERROR.

1 JOHN 4:1-6

HONOR

RECEIVING SUPPORT IN THE AREA OF DISCIPLESHIP REQUIRES THAT I CAN LISTEN TO THE WISDOM AND KNOWLEDGE GIVEN TO ME EVEN IF I DON'T FIND IT IMMEDIATELY APPLICABLE.

TRANSPARENCY

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