

A DISCIPLE-MAKING MINDSET

Introduction

28 Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. 29 For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me. (Colossians 1:28-29 ESV)

1. Proclaim _____

24 Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, 25 of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, 26 the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. 27 To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is **Christ** in you, the hope of glory. (Colossians 1:24-27)

8 To me, the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the **unfathomable riches of Christ**, (Ephesians 3:8 NAS95)

5 For **we do not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord**, and ourselves as your bond-servants for Jesus' sake. (2 Corinthians 4:5 ESV)

2. Proclaim to _____

a. Everyone because of _____

18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and **make disciples of all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20 ESV)

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b. Everyone because of _____

28And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another (with the Sadducees), and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, “Which commandment is the most important of all?” 29Jesus answered, “The most important is, ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 30And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ 31The second is this: **‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’** There is no other commandment greater than these.” (Mark 12:28-31 ESV)

25And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” 26 He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” 27And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” 28And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

29But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And **who is my neighbor?**” 30Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. 31Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. 32So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had **compassion**. 34He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. 35And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ 36Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” 37He said, “**The one who showed him mercy.**” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.” (Luke 10:25-37 ESV)

c. Everyone because of _____

20I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but **Christ who lives in me**. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. (Galatians 2:20 ESV)

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35 Jesus was going through all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness. 36 Seeing the people, **He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd.** 37 Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. 38 Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.” (Matthew 9:35-38 NAS95)

35b...Behold, I say to you, **lift up your eyes and look** on the fields, that they are white for harvest. (John 4:35 NAS95)

3. A mindset with _____

12b...work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure. (Philippians 2:12b-23)

29 For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me. (Colossians 1:29 ESV)

a. _____ Part

b. _____ Part

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, **but the grace of God with me.** (1 Corinthians 15:10)

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Discussion Questions

1. How are you doing at viewing everyone the Lord places before you with a disciple-making mindset?

2. What are some ways to excel still more at viewing people with a disciple-making mindset?

3. Do you feel powerful or powerless to make disciples? What needs to change so you have power?

Takeaways