

HOW TO USE THE DISCIPLESHIP LESSONS

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There are three manuals (48 lessons) in the Disciple Evangelism program. Many people have these materials but don't know how to use them. Discipleship Evangelism tools are just that—tools. Suppose I want to install a new water pump in my car and someone says, "I know how to put a water pump in; I'll put it in for you." When they ask for my wrenches to take the old one off, I say, "I don't have any wrenches; just take it off with your fingers." They look at me and say, "I can't fix it if you don't give me a tool."

Many times ministers tell people they need to go preach the gospel and make disciples. As a person in the church, I want to say, "But how? Show me. Give me an example. Lead me." So Discipleship Evangelism is a "how to" tool. It isn't the only tool—there are others in the world today—but it is a tool. We are creating as many tools as we can, as rapidly as possible, to help people disciple the nations. Because we have new Discipleship Evangelism tools coming out on an ongoing basis, we encourage you to check back with us from time to time.

Since you have the Discipleship Evangelism program, I would like to tell you how it works. First you have a video, DVD, CD, or cassette that presents in ten minutes or less a message that introduces the subject you are to talk about. For example, if you are going to disciple a person about repentance, you listen to the video, DVD, CD, or cassette tape. After hearing or seeing the introduction, you turn it off and go into your Teacher's Guide.

In the manual, there is a transcript of the presentation, so you can read the actual message. The reason that is so important is that if you are in a third world nation where there is no electricity and can't use DVDs, CDs, videos, or cassette tapes, you can actually disciple by reading the introduction of the material about repentance, eternal life, identity in Christ, or whatever lesson you are on in your Bible study group or with the person you are discipling. There is an outline of the audio you can copy and pass out. As the teacher is talking, you can follow the audio of this presentation.

Following that is a Teacher's Guide, which is what you would use to disciple—one on one or in a cell group. This guide is most effective if you have a teaching gift. It will direct you to the scriptures so you can ask a question from them: "By the way, John, would you read Ephesians 1:22-23 aloud. Sally, would you read it from the different translation you have. If someone else has a different translation, please read it from that."

Read the scripture out loud and then go to the question that is asked here. Ask the question and it will cause an interactive Bible study to take place. They will hold up their hands and say, "Ephesians 1:22-23 says such and such ..." which brings about discussion so it isn't just a one-man monologue, like a sermon. This causes interaction in your group, or one on one, when you are discipling. The Teacher's Guide gives you questions to ask, plus the answers, and takes them directly to the scriptures. Having them read the scriptures aloud causes them to discover the answers for themselves.

The next part is a Detailed Teachers' Guide for those who don't have a strong teaching gift. You can read the material on the subject in this guide. There is a number before each paragraph or section. Then you go to the bottom of the page and ask the question. This will keep you on track so you don't get off the subject. You can read the paragraph, go to the bottom of the page, ask the question, read the next paragraph, go the bottom of the page, ask the question, and you will be able to stay on the subject you are trying to talk about and disciple.

Something we have just put in our updated Discipleship Evangelism manuals are Discipleship Questions in the Navigator style. This was developed after a friend of mine went into the jails and penitentiaries where the inmates have a lot of time, but don't have the audios or videos. The questions were designed to allow people to study during the week, work through them, and look in the Bible for the answers. It is a self-discipling tool that is new to our current program. A Discipleship Answer Key is provided to check your answers.

Then we have additional information for the teacher. Many Sunday Schools have quarterlies for students plus a teacher's quarterly that gives additional information. The teacher needs to have more information than the students, and that's what this is. If you read the additional information by Andrew Wommack, Don Krow, or Mike Fehlauer, chances are when somebody raises their hand and says, "I thought this and this and this," you will know how to answer because you have studied the additional information.

For a limited time we will also have a tape by Jill Reese on how to bring Discipleship Evangelism into your local church. She has been working with local churches, training the leadership and the body of Christ to disciple. If you are interested in bringing Discipleship Evangelism into your local church contact us at Discipleship Evangelism, P.O. Box 17007, Colorado Springs 80935.

We have new products available. One is Discipleship Evangelism Bible Lessons, Volume 1, that is so simple anyone can use it. We are using it in the penitentiary system in the United States as well as third world nations. Coming soon is Discipling Through Galatians, Discipling Through Romans, and Discipleship Evangelism Bible Lessons, Volume 2. You can call or write us about when these new discipling materials will be available.

I hope this has helped you understand how to use the product you have in your hand a little bit better. God bless you.

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