

DC Orientation Session

-Opening motives:

-the ministry and impact of Jesus—100, 1000, 2000 years after his death (vs. cross/accounting, sympathize/life, ministry)

-Kurt's short training sessions → leads to DC and its growth over time and across Louisville (*PP slides*) and beyond

-Intro: I John 2:6

-The mandate: Disciple-makers... (*PP slide of Mt 28:18-20*, incl. command/imperative—"make disciples", "as you go", baptizing, teaching/equipping...)

-see also: *PP slide of Hadidian quote*; 4 generations a la II Tim 2:2's legacy

-Willard: "Jesus' disciples are those who have chosen to be with him to learn to be like him"—to have the character and priorities of Christ!

-"Four Chairs" (a la Spader)

Win

Build

Equip

Multiply

The Lost

The Believer

The Worker

The Leader/Overseer

(Mt 28 pt III; Lk 10:1-2,

II Tim 2:15, 3:16-17, I Tim 4:16)

→ DC for produce or sharpen...

→ how do you accomplish these?

-small group (CP)—live life together and hear/develop voices of DC'ers

-time and intensity; passive vs. activity; Willard: "...to dribble a few verses or chapters of Scripture on oneself through the week, in church or out, will not reorder one's mind and spirit—just as one drop of water every five minutes will not get you a shower, no matter how long you keep it up. You need a lot of water at once and for a sufficiently long time. Similarly for the written word [of God]."

-lots of Bible...

-DC as Bible memory, Bible reading, Bible study (**PP**)

-memory: Dt for temptation?! Ps on the cross? When Jesus was stabbed, he bled Scripture, love for his Mom, and forgiveness (audio, cards, apps, etc.)

-other translations, esp. for Bible reading

-Bible study, incl. **PP slides** on topics and schedule

→ legalism vs. raise the bar; do your best; believe that God's word can transform and the investment is worth the cost (Ps 119 and other refs)

Goals:

-heart: love God (theology; Lewis) and follow Him

-habits: spiritual disciplines—to hear His voice

-obedience—to do what you've heard (“spirit is willing”; Mt 28's “obey”)

-heart II: love others (relationships—in DC group, marriage & family, etc.)

-disciple-maker (vs. disciple): vision, tools, knowledge, skills—confidence/competence; with family and others (see: 10K piece puzzle; **DC is only part of the “pie”**)

→ can guarantee discipline and knowledge, but without the other, a bigger mess

Other:

-class participation to be even (big talkers self-control and listen; small talkers talk)

-be proactive/strategic in developing a regular study pattern (TV vs. DC?)

-guided self-study and facilitator-led

-marathon vs. sprint! but 10 weeks vs. 21 months

-be at your weekly meetings (vs. airplane, hospital, coffin)—and if not, get to another group (and tell your co-leaders)

-no rule, but if > 1/ semester, we'll be asking

-if life changes, step out and return as appropriate

-be there on time (but if 45 minutes late, come anyway!)

-books (Living Word; other campuses; other churches)

-check and return email

→ close with prayer in pairs

DC Orientation Session outline/notes

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