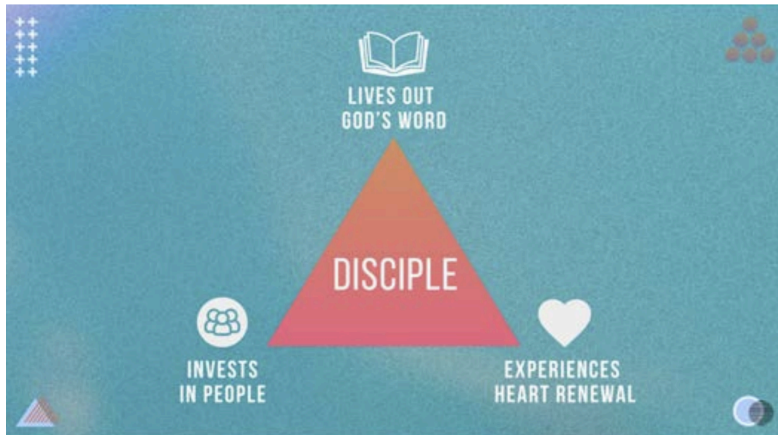


DiscipleShift - Week 2



Introduction

We have defined a disciple as “A transformed follower of Jesus.” The image above illustrates three key areas of a disciple of Christ. Today we are going to discuss what we mean by “**Lives Out God’s Word.**” What are some of the biggest challenges we face studying God’s word and integrating scripture into our lives?

Study

We are going to focus on three aspects of *Living Out God’s Word* - **Shape**, **Saturated**, and eager to **Share**.

Shaped by God’s Word

Read Ps. 19:7-11. How does this passage describe how God’s word shapes us?

Kyler reminded us that Scripture is “the counsel of God to his people.” Too often we approach God’s Word as rules to follow and information to acquire. It is far more than this. It is an invitation to a personal relationship with God. How does God pursue us through his word?

Read 1 Peter 1:23-25. How does Scripture shape our mind, perspective, and heart?

What keeps us from allowing God to shape us?

Saturated in God’s Word

If we are going to be shaped by God’s word, we need to be saturated in it. Reread Ps. 19:10. Gold is used in this passage to illustrate ultimate value. Honey is used to illustrate ultimate satisfaction. What do you value and look to for satisfaction? How might these things pull you away from God and his word?

How does spending time in the Word help you experience Jesus?

Studying God’s word is not about information but transformation. Take a moment to read and reflect on the following heart questions as we prepare to read scripture:

- God, what do you want me to know and believe about you as I read this passage?
- God, what do you want to say to me in this text?
- God, what do you want me to see about myself and my sin?
- God, how does this passage show me Jesus and his Gospel?
- God, what do you want me to do?

How might these questions impact the way you read the Bible?

Share God’s Word

If we are going to live out God’s word, we need to share it with others. When is it easier to share God’s word? What makes it difficult?

Sometimes it is easier to start sharing with someone close to us what God’s word is teaching us. Who is someone whom you can share with this week?

Prayer

Take some time to pray about “Living Out God’s Word.” Ask the Holy Spirit to shape us as we seek to be saturated in God’s word and to be willing to share with others.

Take time to share prayer requests and pray for one another.