



Disciples Making Disciples: Living as an “Alongsider”

Session #2: Jesus’ Master Plan

From last time...

Who feels confident to recite
the **first four words**
of Redeemer's Mission
Statement?



Our Mission

*To proclaim Jesus
Christ so that all
may know God and
grow in faith
toward Him and
in love toward
one another.*



Also from last time...

- What was the purpose of showing “The Furniture Maker?” video?
- We talked about being a Disciple, and we defined Discipleship.



Session 2 Agenda

1. What is Jesus' Master Plan?
2. Discussion/Sharing:
Why does Discipling seem difficult? Does it need to be?
3. Video: "This is Discipling"
4. What's Next?





Our goal for today...



When we leave here today, **ALL** of us should be able to say, "God has given me the **ABILITY** to make disciples!"

Let's begin with

Jesus' Master Plan!



Jesus' Master Plan



The Father wants His whole world back – everyone!



He sent Jesus to restore the whole thing.



Jesus invites us to join His mission in the mission field.

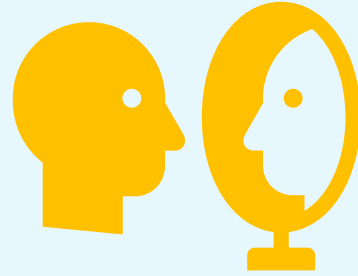


Any heart without Christ IS the mission field!



As we are called unto Him and receive Him, God restores us to our true **identity**, **value**, and **purpose**.

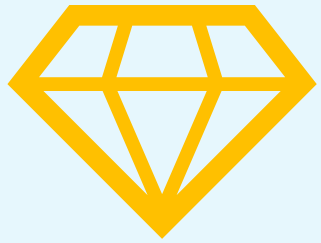
Your True Identity



Your true identity is in Christ! You are who God says you are – a beloved child of the heavenly King.

1 John 3:1: See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!

The reason that the world does not know us is that it did not know Him.



Your True Value

Your true value to God is so great that He is pleased to give you things of the Kingdom in abundance.

Luke 12:32: Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom."

God's love is a superpower and changes us from the inside out. Trust this and trust God!

Your True Purpose

Your true purpose is to give from the abundance you have in Christ and share it.



John 4:35: Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.

Every day, you get to go out with Jesus, looking for people who need a little of what you have in abundance and offer it to them.

Love your neighbors freely!

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Questions to Discuss

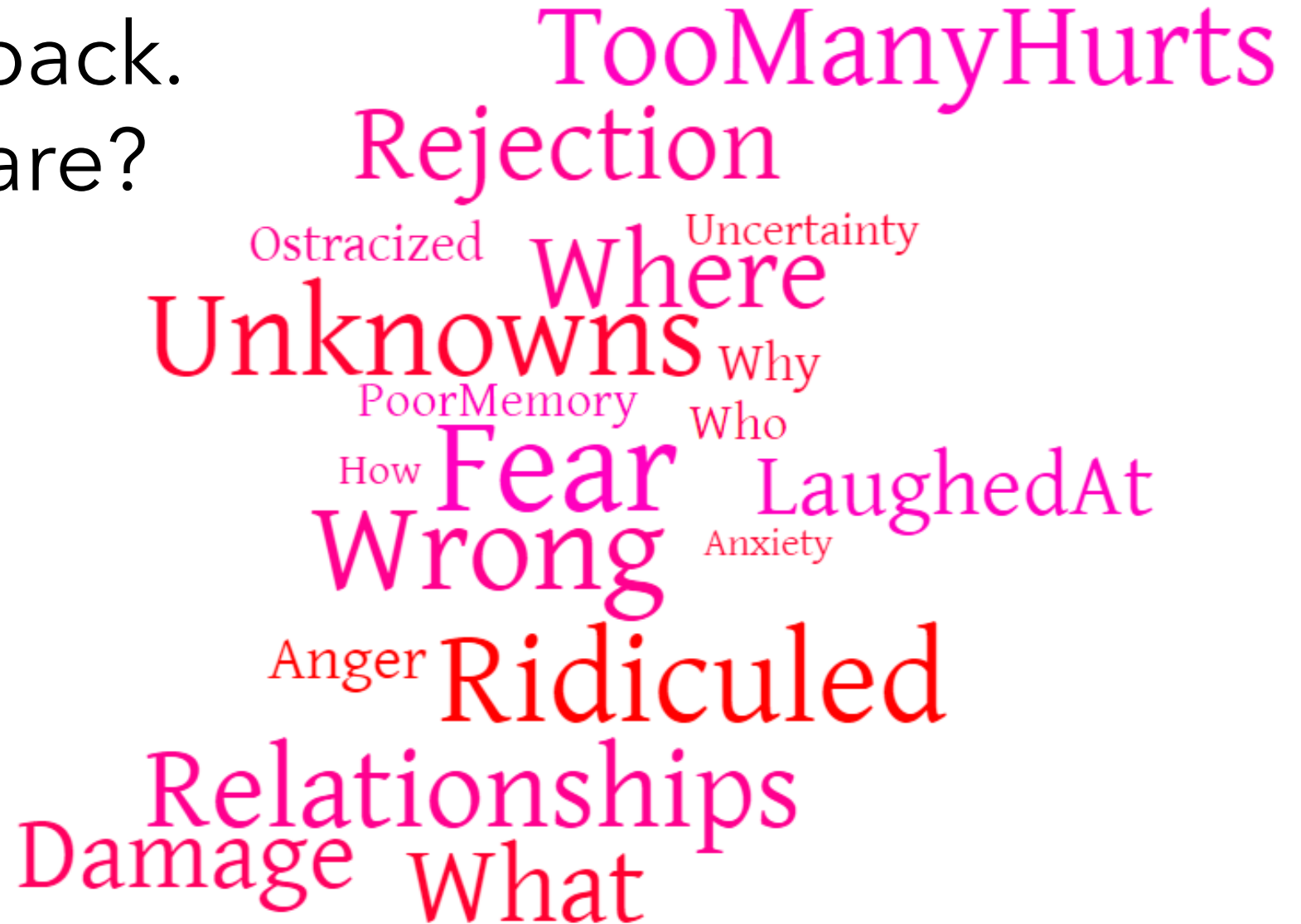


1. *What are some things that prevent us from sharing the love of Jesus with others?*
2. *What gets in the way the most for YOU?*

What gets in the way?

Most of us hold back.

What did you share?



A word cloud of various psychological and social barriers, rendered in shades of pink and red. The words are arranged in a roughly triangular shape, with 'TooManyHurts' at the top, 'Unknowns' in the middle, and 'Damage' at the bottom. Other words include 'Rejection', 'Where', 'Fear', 'Wrong', 'Ridiculed', 'Relationships', 'What', 'Anxiety', 'LaughedAt', 'Who', 'Why', 'PoorMemory', 'How', 'Ostracized', and 'Uncertainty'.

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Why does Discipleship seem hard?

We have misguided perceptions about it.

We don't know where to begin.

We don't want to be rejected.

We don't want to "mess up."

We don't feel any urgency.

What do we do instead?

We study it.

We're fascinated by it.

We might do a deep dive.

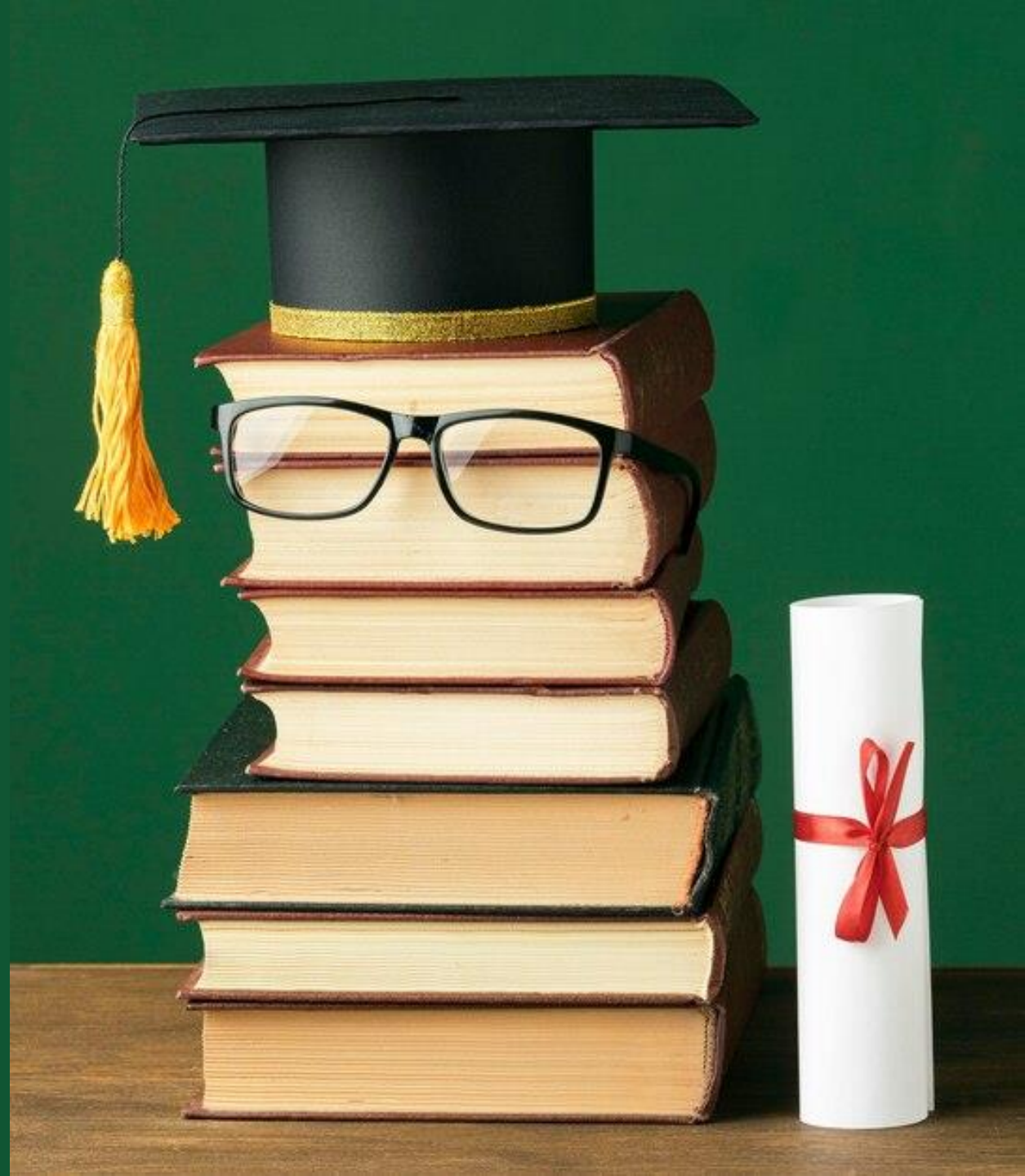
But we may not

DO anything with it.



What does the church do?

We (the church) tend to multiply Scholars who have the right answers...whereas Jesus multiplies Disciples.



But there is great news for us!

Discipling doesn't
have to be difficult!



Let's Clear Up Our
Misconceptions!

AND HAVE
SOME FUN!



True or False?

As Christians, it is OUR mission to Disciple others, and Jesus will join us when we ask Him.



FALSE

When we Disciple others, we are joining Jesus on **HIS mission.**

True or False?

It's possible for every Christ follower to become a Disciple regardless of their past history.



TRUE

Becoming a Disciple IS something every Christ follower can do – **no exceptions.**

Complete the sentence.

God _____ (will or will not) send us out to do something we cannot do.

*God **will not** send us out to do something we cannot do.*

God promises to go with us and equip us to do the work He has set before us.

Choose the best answer.

How does Jesus ask us to disciple others?

1. Quote scripture to strangers.
2. Correct unbelievers when they are sinning.
3. Go be His best "salesperson."
4. Love people through our words and actions.



True or False?

You need to first be a
Bible scholar to properly
Disciple others.



FALSE

Reading and understanding
Scripture strengthens and
equips us to join Jesus on
His mission. We are not
asked to be Bible scholars,
simply followers of Jesus.

Choose the best answer.

As Jesus uses us to builds His church, our job is to:

1. Pray and be the mouthpiece.
2. Plant and water – only Jesus grows.
3. Be patient and allow God to work in His perfect timing.
4. All of the above.



Let's get on the same page with Jesus.



- WE are not Jesus - we are Jesus followers.
- Saving, restoring and uplifting is HIS job, not ours.
- We don't go FOR Jesus. We go WITH Him, not before Him.
- Our Discipling work is simple - to come along side others.
Jesus does HIS work by loving people through us.

Would we be more free to
experience

His **LOVE**



Inspiration from the Video!



Love God



Love Others



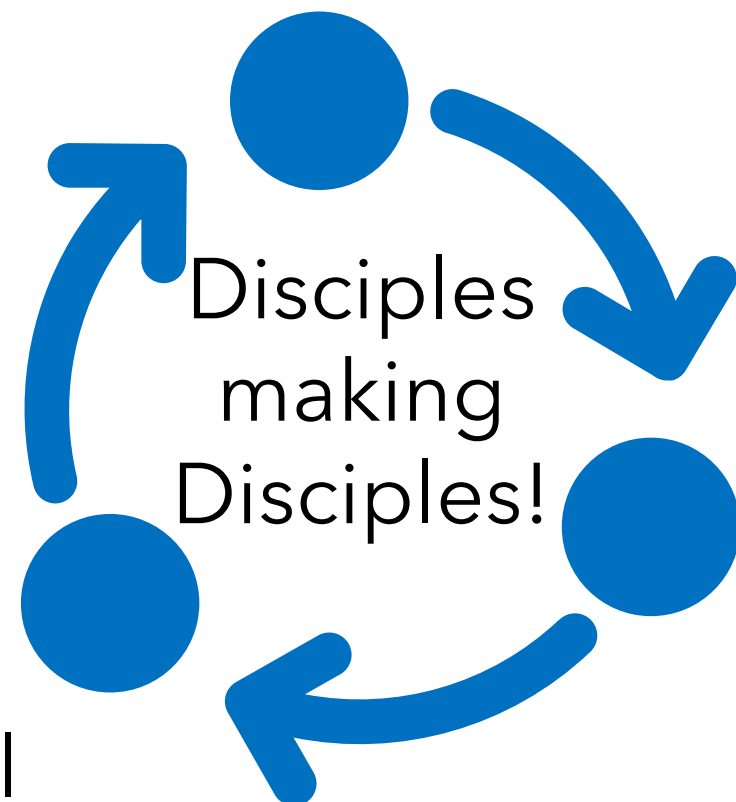
Liberate with the Gospel



Lead by serving



Launch more Disciples



Now that we've addressed some misconceptions...



**"Do you feel God
has given **YOU**
the **ABILITY** to
make disciples?"**

Here's what's coming up next time:

Topic	Goal
Your Jerusalem	To identify YOUR Jerusalem, and WHO lives in your Jerusalem.



Session #3:

Sunday, Nov. 17 - potluck!

Please be sure to sign-up for
lunch in the Narthex!

See you next time!