

"The Great Commission to Discipleship"

It's not business, it's _____

1. The Great _____ (Matthew 28:18-20)

2. Paul's _____ (Acts 20:17-32)

_____ War and ______ War

Discipleship proper: one _____ helping another _____ follow Christ.



Session One Objectives

- To acknowledge the ironies/limitations of a summer camp on personal discipleship
- To distinguish between, and discuss the benefits of, both public and private disciple-making methods

IT'S NOT BUSINESS, IT'S PERSONAL

What shape did the disciple-making project take in the disciples' minds?

They would say we have it good for making disciples. I think they would also say we're not doing good at making disciples.

The Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20)

- Going in Person
- The Meaning of μαθητεύω ("make disciples")
- The Practice of **Baptism**
- Teaching to Obey

When Jesus "called to Him those whom He desired...He appointed twelve so that they might be with Him..." (Mark 3:13-14)

Paul's Ministry (Acts 20:17-32)

"I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in **public** and from **house to house**" (v.20)

Why bother living "among" them? (v.18) Why live with them so long, "three years?" (v.31) Why work "night and day"? (v.31) Why cry over them? (v.31)

Because making disciples is personal.

AIR WAR & GROUND WAR

"Illustrations, like windows, let light into the chambers of the mind." ~Spurgeon

Air War

Large scale Remote explosives Blanket provisions

Ground War

Small scale Close-range offense Personal care

Which one is **better**?

Which one is harder?



Working with a difficult person is harder than working with a difficult text. One keeps moving, the other doesn't.

Discipleship: helping others follow Christ.

Discipleship **proper**: one person helping another person follow Christ

Our camp has been sending most of our funding to the air force. We have very few examples of bayonet fighters and first responders.



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