

"The Theological Basis for Discipleship" Part One

Not an _____

The ground and goal of discipleship, as well as the entire process of discipleship, are all _____.

Warning: _____ ahead

A Tight _____ (Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:1-8)

Two reasons for Really:

1._____

2._____

THE THEOLOGICAL BASIS **FOR DISCIPLESHIP**

Session Two

Session Two Objectives

- To show that the Great Commission (to make disciples) is inseparable from the Trinity, specifically that:
 - the goal of disciple-making is fellowship with the Trinity
 - the manner of our disciple-making should be Trinitarian

Not an **Option**

Personal discipleship isn't merely one methodological option, it is deeply and eternally theological.

The ground and the goal of discipleship, as well as the entire process of discipleship, are all Trinitarian.

Making Disciples: Completing the Trinitarian Commission

WARNING: THEOLOGY AHEAD

Apart from the Trinity, discipleship is like *"trying shoelaces tighter to make up for bad fitting shoes."* ~Fred Sanders

A TIGHT FIT

The Great Commission and the Trinity Matthew 28:16-20 & Acts 1:1-8

Making disciples is carried out under the authority of the Father by the power of the Spirit for the sake of the Son.

REALLY?!

Two reasons the Trinity is the theological basis for discipleship:

1. IDENTITY

Disciple-making relates to a <u>particular</u> God. There is a <u>confessional</u> commitment to discipleship. Certain <u>facts</u> about God must be communicated.

> "God minus creation would still be God, but God minus Father, Son, and Holy Spirit would not be God." ~Sanders

The Trinity keeps disciple-making from being idolatrous.