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# INTEXT

12 STEPS FOR NEW & GROWING CHRISTIANS

**KNOWING  
GOD.**

**TELLING  
OTHERS  
ABOUT  
JESUS.**

**TALKING TO  
GOD.**

**DISCIPLE  
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# Every journey has a start.



## »» SUPER NEWS

You've just made the most important commitment a person can make in life. If you have placed your faith in Jesus, and decided to follow Him, you have now experienced what the Bible calls a "new birth." And just like you have a physical birthday, you now have a spiritual birthday - the day **you became a Christian** and began your walk with God. One of your questions may be, "**What do I do now?**" Great question! This guide will help you jump start your journey. Remember, now that you're a Christian, your life is different. You may not feel like a Christian every day, but following Jesus isn't based on feelings; it's based on the fact that Jesus died on the cross for your sins and that you now have a relationship with Him.

## What should I do now that I follow Jesus?

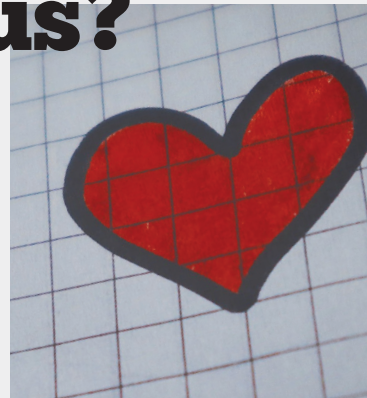
**1 John 5:11-13** says that God wants you to be sure of your salvation. So, take a moment to look up that verse in your Bible and think about what it means.

**Romans 10:9** says, "*If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.*" God always keeps His promises and He never goes back on his word.

A promise is only as good as the person who makes it, and you can trust God to keep His!

**1 Corinthians 1:9** says, "*God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.*" God will do what He said He will do. He's reliable and trustworthy. He will not change His mind and kick you out of the family.

### TRUSTING GOD'S PROMISES IN HIS WORD



### SUPER NEWS

When you became a Christian, God sent His Spirit to live in your heart. **Ephesians 1:13-14** says that the Spirit is like a **contractual seal**. In Bible days, an official seal was placed on a contract between people to guarantee that it was legitimate. God puts the seal of His Spirit on your life as proof that He will honor His part of the deal.

Once you truly become a Christian, you cannot lose your salvation, and God will

not take it back. You are part of His family, and He will never disown you. Once saved means always saved. You might still sin because you are not perfect. You may have questions, doubts and concerns, but be assured that if you have truly committed your life to God, then you are a Christian.





# #1 Tell Someone

WE CANNOT STOP TELLING ABOUT EVERYTHING WE HAVE SEEN AND HEARD.  
- ACTS 4:20 NLT

**NEWS THAT'S ACTUALLY WORTH SHARING**

**People love to share good news!** If you get a new job, have a new baby, or get married, that's probably news that you want to share. People don't keep good news to themselves.

In that same way, becoming a Christian is exciting news, and you should be excited to tell others right away. Your life has been changed by God, and God wants you to tell others about that change. Think about how important that is, and think about how many people need to hear about it. God wants to use you to help others know about Him. In **John 1:40-42**, a man named Andrew met Jesus, and his first reaction was to run and tell his brother. Andrew didn't know a lot about Jesus...he didn't have all the facts or all of the answers, he just told others that his life had been changed.

Right now, you can tell others about Jesus; you don't have to be a pastor or a missionary. In fact, God wants all Christians to be active in sharing their faith. This is called **evangelism or witnessing**. A witness just tells the judge and jury what he heard or saw. A Christian is called to tell others what God has done in his/her life. You can do this by sharing your testimony. Your testimony is the unique story of how you became a Christian. The apostle Paul shared his testimony with others – you can read more about that in **Acts 22:3-21**.



Take a moment and think through these three areas. You may even want to take out a sheet of paper or open up a blank document on the computer and write out your story.

## YOUR TESTIMONY



### HAS THREE BASIC PARTS

#### PART 1

Your life before becoming a Christian.

#### PART 2

How you became a Christian.

#### PART 3

What God has done or is doing in your life now.





# #2

## Be Baptized

AS THEY RODE ALONG, THEY CAME TO SOME WATER, AND THE EUNUCH SAID, "LOOK! THERE'S SOME WATER! WHY CAN'T I BE BAPTIZED?"

- ACTS 8:36 NLT

**BURIED & MADE NEW**



According to the Bible, Christian baptism is **an outward testimony of what has occurred inwardly** in a believer's life. Christian baptism illustrates a believer's identification with Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. The Bible says in **Romans 6:3-4**, "Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." Baptism is the action of being immersed or dunked in the water which symbolizes dying and being buried with Christ. The action of coming up out of the water illustrates Christ's resurrection. Whenever you get baptized, it signifies to others the public profession of your faith and relationship with Jesus. There are **two basic requirements** before a person is baptized: **#1** - The person being baptized must have trusted in Jesus Christ as Savior, and **#2** - The person must understand what baptism means. If a person knows the Lord Jesus as Savior, understands that Christian baptism is a step of obedience in publicly proclaiming their faith in Christ, and desires to be baptized, then there is no reason to prevent the believer from being baptized.

## MAKING WAVES

**WHAT CAN  
WASH AWAY MY SIN?  
NOTHING BUT THE  
BLOOD OF JESUS.**



To schedule your baptism please visit: [www.restChurch.net/baptizeME](http://www.restChurch.net/baptizeME)



According to the Bible, Christian baptism follows salvation and is important because it is a step of obedience and identification with Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. We'd be glad to share with you when our next baptism celebration is so that you can be baptized!



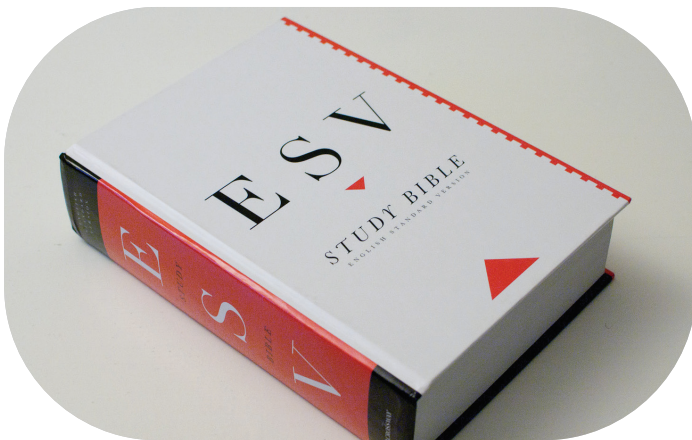


# #3 Read Your Bible



FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS ALIVE AND POWERFUL. IT IS SHARPER THAN THE SHARPEST TWO-EDGED SWORD, CUTTING BETWEEN SOUL AND SPIRIT, BETWEEN JOINT AND MARROW. IT EXPOSES OUR INNERMOST THOUGHTS AND DESIRES.

- HEBREWS 4:12 NLT



Don't get confused by all the different covers and translations out there – find a Bible that you can read and understand. At rest Church, we use **The English Standard Version (ESV)**. You can get this at a bookstore or on the Internet at [www.Biblegateway.com](http://www.Biblegateway.com).

Additionally, you can download our app 'Church Center' from the app store, and then select 'rest Church' and the **YouVersion Bible** is embedded within it. If you don't have a Bible, let someone at rest Church know, and we'd love to give you one!

As a new Christian, one of the most important things you can do right now is to read and study the Bible; studying the Bible is best done with your Bible, a good commentary resource, and a pen. Begin to familiarize yourself with both the Old Testament and New Testament books.

The Bible is the inspired, flawless, 100% accurate and true Word of God. This book is unlike any other; it's more than a collection of stories or just words on a page. It is the very Word of God written in the words of men.

**2 Timothy 3:16** tells us that *"All scripture is God-breathed, and is useful for teaching the truth, rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living."*

#### When you read the Bible:

- God will show you things about Himself.
- God will show you things in your life that need to change.
- God will teach you what it means to be a Christ follower.
- You'll get a better understanding of your purpose in life.

If you've never read the Bible before, a **good place to start is in the New Testament book of John**. The Gospel of John is the story about the life of Jesus. Another good starting point is to download the **YouVersion Bible app** and start a daily reading plan that will help you begin to create the new habit of daily engaging God's Word.

**Psalm 1:1** encourages us to meditate on the Bible. In fact, this verse illustrates that your life will be blessed if you meditate on God's Word. But, don't let the word meditate confuse you. **David Nasser** says that, *"Meditating on the Bible is like marinating. Just like we let a steak or a chicken breast soak in a great marinade, we think on God's Word and let it soak into our lives."*

As you read the Bible, underline words or phrases that stick out. Think about what it really means. Write questions down and seek answers. Memorize key verses and think about God's Word as you go throughout your day. And most importantly, start consistently reading. Remember, if you've got time to read this, then you've got time to read God's Word.

**PRAYER IS YOU TALKING TO GOD,  
READING THE BIBLE IS HIM  
TALKING TO YOU.**





Just like a football player needs a team, a Christian needs a Church. In **Matthew 16:17**, Jesus said that he would build the church and not even the gates of hell would prevail against it.

The Church was important to Jesus, and the Church was important to the first Christians who risked everything to meet together. You may not know this, but right now, in some places in the world, it's against the law for people to gather together as the Church. Christians are meeting secretly, with the threat of punishment or death hanging over their heads.

**You need to regularly connect yourself to the body of Christ** (a Biblical term for the Church). The Church is a lot like a human body; whereas each body part serves a specific function, similarly in the Church, each person serves an important role. Therefore, everyone needs to be involved for the Church to function the way she was made.

The Church is not made up of perfect people, good people, or religious people... it's made up of people who have decided to follow Jesus – people just like you.

**So, why be involved with a Church?** Just like athletes need practice and coaching, so do Christians. God has placed spiritual leaders in the Church who are there to help you grow closer and deeper in relationship with God. At Church you'll hear God's Word explained and you'll have a chance to worship God alongside other Christians.

You're part of the team all working together with one goal in mind of building the Kingdom of God. The Church will provide you opportunities to learn more about Jesus, and you'll grow in your faith.

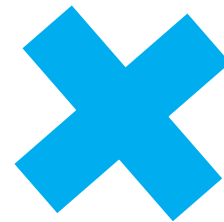
**“CHURCH ISN'T A MUSEUM FOR GOOD PEOPLE, IT'S A SPIRITUAL HOSPITAL FOR BROKEN ONES.”**

# #4 Consistently Attend Church



FOR HUSBANDS, THIS MEANS LOVE YOUR WIVES, JUST AS CHRIST LOVED THE CHURCH. HE GAVE UP HIS LIFE FOR HER TO MAKE HER HOLY AND CLEAN, WASHED BY THE CLEANSING OF GOD'S WORD. HE DID THIS TO PRESENT HER TO HIMSELF AS A GLORIOUS CHURCH WITHOUT A SPOT OR WRINKLE OR ANY OTHER BLEMISH. INSTEAD, SHE WILL BE HOLY AND WITHOUT FAULT.

- **EPHESIANS 5:25-27 NLT**



There is a nearly endless list of things you can do right from the comfort of your couch. You can do your job, shop for groceries, talk to friends who live in other states, write social posts, attend school and even stream a Church service. The internet is a beautiful thing! We are so glad (when you're unavailable) that you join us for Church online, but we **highly encourage you to physically attend Church** with the rest of the Body of Christ in Christian fellowship.

**It is an experience** with God the Holy Spirit that a smartphone can never replace.



# #5 Join a rest Group

It's healthy to do things with other people – to have friends. In the Christian life, it is no different. You need to develop relationships with people who are going through the same things as you.

By joining a rest Group, **you can find community with other Christians.** You'll get to know others who will encourage you and not tear you down. You'll share life experiences and carry one another's burdens. In fact, **Hebrews 10:26** teaches us that we should not miss out on meeting with other Christians. This is why we have a rest Group Ministry. We all need these relationships in our lives.

You can check out a list of our current rest Groups happening at: [www.rest.churchcenter.com/groups/rest-groups](http://www.rest.churchcenter.com/groups/rest-groups)



## SMALL GROUP = BIG IMPACT

ALL THE BELIEVERS DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE APOSTLES' TEACHING, AND TO FELLOWSHIP, AND TO SHARING IN MEALS (INCLUDING THE LORD'S SUPPER), AND TO PRAYER.

- **ACTS 2:42 NLT**



## Life happens in circles, not rows.

rest Groups are made up of different people that meet together during the week to talk about God's Word and pray for each other. A Church as a whole is pretty large, and it's not possible to get to know everyone (rows) on Sunday, but if you get connected to a rest group (circles), you'll get to know some people that can become your spiritual family. The reason rest Groups matter so much, is that you need life-giving people, to delight in, commit to, receive love, joy, and belonging from, with whom you literally can't live without.

Author **Robert Putnam**, one of the great experts on community life in our day, said that, *"If you're not in a small group, and you join one, you cut your odds of dying in the next 12 months in half."* Did you know that? Maybe our motto, should be, "Join a rest group or die." LOL.





# #6 VOLUNTEER at Church

ALL OF YOU TOGETHER ARE CHRIST'S BODY,  
AND EACH OF YOU IS A PART OF IT.

- 1 CORINTHIANS 12:27 NLT



The Church isn't just a place where you come to sit and watch; the Church is a place where you come to serve. Your local Church is a great place to begin serving God. You have a very unique set of gifts and abilities that no one else has that can help the body of Christ thrive.

In 1 Peter 4:10, Peter tells us to use our giftedness "to serve others." You can use your gifts and talents right here, right now! Find a place where you can apply your specific gifts, talents and abilities to make a difference. Whenever we serve others, it helps us to realize that this life isn't all about us, but instead, it's all about Jesus. Don't be misled, there is a specific area that needs your help right now.

Every week, teams of people come together as part of our "serve squad," to do all kinds of different work in preparation for services, some of these areas include: leading children's classes, helping people feel welcome, directing traffic, working with students, running Church online, and many more! These groups of people serve alongside each other and help facilitate the process of leading people from where they are to where God wants them to be. Plus, volunteering is an easy way for you to get to know others better quickly.

If you're not exactly sure where to serve, but want to serve somewhere, we encourage you to sign-up to take our **Spiritual Gifts class**. This class can help you identify the unique gifts God has equipped you with. Get started by completing the two questionnaire packets, available at: [www.restChurch.net/spiritual-gifts-test](http://www.restChurch.net/spiritual-gifts-test). Additionally you can take our **Personalisis test** that can help us get you connected with specific groups and serve squads that might fight your personality best. Take the quiz at: [www.restChurch.net/take-the-quiz](http://www.restChurch.net/take-the-quiz)



**"I DON'T HAVE TO GO  
TO CHURCH, I GET TO GO  
TO CHURCH."**





# #7 Invite someone to Church



**"On average, it takes 7 invitations before a lost person surrenders to Jesus."**

One of the best ways to tell people about your new faith is to offer an invite to Church. A big portion of what we do on **Sunday mornings** has been created with guests in mind. **We work hard to create an environment where God the Holy Spirit is able to move freely.** We understand that each Sunday is someone's first time (new to Church) and someone's last (they are ready to give up). So, we want everyone in our area to know about the grace, forgiveness and restoration that's freely given from our great God. You can partner with us to reach people who are far from God by simply inviting them to Church. Our goal is to help them become passionate Christians who make a difference in the world.

Also, we want you to know that our Sunday entry point is intentionally geared to reach men. Unfortunately, many men today suffer from "*Peter Pan Syndrome*," where they just don't want to grow up. As a result, many families have been left with a major fatherless gap in their lives. We desperately desire for our men (young men, middle aged men, and older men) to fiercely follow Jesus and lead their

families well. At rest, **we love our women and our children** so much that we feel like one of the best ways we can serve them as the Church is to help their men become the men God created them to be.

## »»» THE TARGET



YOU HAVE HEARD ME TEACH THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY MANY RELIABLE WITNESSES. NOW TEACH THESE TRUTHS TO OTHER TRUSTWORTHY PEOPLE WHO WILL BE ABLE TO PASS THEM ON TO OTHERS.

- 2 TIMOTHY 2:2 NLT





# #8 Talk to God

THEN IF MY PEOPLE WHO ARE CALLED BY MY NAME WILL HUMBLE THEMSELVES AND PRAY AND SEEK MY FACE AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS, I WILL HEAR FROM HEAVEN AND WILL FORGIVE THEIR SINS AND RESTORE THEIR LAND.

- 2 CHRONICLES 7:14 NLT

If you want to get to know someone, you could read about them. But, you might also want to talk to them. God wants to have a relationship with you – one that is real and one that is personal. The Bible is full of invitations for you to talk to God. **You don't have to pick up a phone or send an e-mail to get God's attention**, you can talk to the very Creator of the universe right now, right where you are.

**Prayer is simply talking to God.** You don't have to use big words or flowery language for it to work. You don't have to know fancy terms or "Churchy" words; you can talk to God just like you would talk to any friend. In fact, as a Christian, God is both your Father and your Friend!

In **Mark 1:35**, we read about Jesus himself praying to the Father. Imagine that! If Jesus needed to pray, how much more do you and I need to talk to God? **So, how do you actually pray?** Easy, prayer is just talking to God. It's a two way, direct-connect, with no long - distance charges. It's a child talking to his/her Heavenly Father, and the ultimate direct message. Read the section below for further guidance on prayer.

## TALK TO GOD ABOUT YOUR NEEDS



**Matthew 7:7** says that we should always ask God about our needs.

**John 15:7** and **Philippians 4:6-7** talk about bringing your needs to God. If He can take care of the birds, He can take care of our needs.

## TALK TO GOD ABOUT YOUR SIN



**John 1:9** says that if we confess our sins, God will forgive our sins.

In your prayer time, confess to God where you messed up. Ask Him for strength to overcome your mistakes. Even though you are a Christian, you will still sin and when you do, you need to confess that sin to God.

## LISTEN FOR GOD'S RESPONSE



Nobody likes a one-way conversation. In fact, when only one person is talking, it's not a conversation at all. When you talk to God, give Him a chance to answer you. He may not speak with an audible voice or send you a letter in the mail, but He will answer you - if you are listening and walking with Him.

## KEEP IT GOING



**1 Thessalonians 5:17** says to pray all the time. You don't have to be in Church with your eyes closed to pray. You don't need a Pastor or spiritual leader to pray. You can pray in your heart or out loud to God wherever you are.



## INVEST SOME TIME IN OTHERS



God isn't Santa Claus! If all you ever do is give God a shopping list of your needs, then it can make you selfish in your prayers. Pray for others. Pray for your family. Pray for your Church. Pray for your Pastors. Pray for those who don't know God. Pray for God to create opportunities for you to share the Gospel.

## NEVER STOP BEING THANKFUL



Thanksgiving is when we express gratitude to God for specific things He's done. Whenever God answers a prayer, thank Him. Thank Him for spiritual blessings, people, gifts, etc. You can thank God not just for what He's done, but for who He is. Part of your every day routine with God should be reading His Word and talking to Him. You probably can't do that with too many distractions, so get alone somewhere and begin spending time with God.

**JOIN THE PRAYER TEAM:** [www.rest.churchcenter.com/groups/rest-groups/prayer-team](http://www.rest.churchcenter.com/groups/rest-groups/prayer-team)



# #9 Live for Jesus



I PRESS ON TO REACH THE END OF THE RACE AND RECEIVE THE HEAVENLY PRIZE FOR WHICH GOD, THROUGH CHRIST JESUS, IS CALLING US.  
- PHILIPPIANS 3:14 NLT

## »»» LIFE BEGINS, ONCE JESUS BECOMES THE REASON YOU LIVE IT.

Statistics tell us that there isn't any practical difference between Christians and non-Christians. In fact, many Christians live lives that don't model the teachings, the life or the love that Jesus exhibited in the Scriptures. Unfortunately, this has turned many people away from wanting to become a follower of Jesus. It's crazy to think that many Christians' lives look just like everyone else's. So, here's the big question: **If you have given your life to Christ**, and you are now a Christ-follower, **is there something different about your life?** Or, are you really just like everyone else, with the minor exception of going to Church every now and then?

**As a Christian, our lives should be radically different!** Ultimately, we are not in charge of our lives – Jesus is. The Bible says that Jesus ought to be both our Savior and Lord. Nearly everyone wants a savior. If you're drowning – you certainly want someone to save you. Most people would be interested in getting all they can from Jesus. But, there's a huge difference between making Him your Savior and making Him your Lord.

**Philippians 2:12** says that one day *"every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord."* Surrendering to the Lordship of Jesus means that you willingly make Him the boss of your life. He's not riding in the passenger seat of the car with you, He's driving the car. **He's not the co-pilot; He's the pilot.** He is large and in charge.

In **John 13:13**, Jesus asked a very important question...*"why do you call me teacher and Lord and NOT DO WHAT I SAY?"* God created you. God saved you. He gives you all sorts of blessings that you haven't earned. But, through His life, death, burial, and resurrection, He has earned the right to be your Lord. **How can we be considered faithful followers of Jesus, yet be disobedient to Him in various areas of our lives?** Does Jesus have control of your life, or are you playing the role of Christian?

Here is the best part. When Jesus is Lord, you'll have an unexplainable peace from God. You'll **rest** in the fact that He is in charge. You won't worry as much. You won't be as anxious because you know that the very creator of the universe is in the driver's seat, and **He knows the way.**





YOU MUST EACH DECIDE IN YOUR HEART HOW MUCH TO GIVE. AND DON'T GIVE RELUCTANTLY OR IN RESPONSE TO PRESSURE. "FOR GOD LOVES A PERSON WHO GIVES CHEERFULLY."  
- 2 CORINTHIANS 9:7 NLT

# #10 Be a Cheerful Giver



**JESUS IS LORD OVER ALL, THIS INCLUDES HOW YOU WORSHIP WITH YOUR WALLET**



## TIME+TALENTS+RESOURCES

*"Oh no, please don't mention money."*  
Many of us have experienced this thought at some point in our spiritual journey, but we would be Biblically wrong not to share what God's word says about giving. Paul said in **2 Cor. 9:7**, "God loves a cheerful giver." When we give generously and with a willing heart, God assures us He will watch over us and provide for us (**Isaiah 58:9; Psalm 41:1-3; Proverbs 22:9; 2 Corinthians 9:8, 11**).

Luke reminds us of Jesus' words in **Acts 20:35**, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." The second letter to the Corinthians reveals a number of inspiring truths that should help us become cheerful givers.

## GOD IS GENEROUS = SO ARE WE

As Paul wisely taught in **2 Cor. 9:6**, "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously." Solomon also stated this a thousand years earlier in **Proverbs 3:9-10**, "Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing." And Jesus Himself told us in **Luke 6:38**, "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap."

The Bible is clear—we cannot out-give our generous God when we become cheerful givers. The only place in the Bible where God invites us to test Him is **Malachi 3:10** where He is talking about the offerings we make to Him: "Test me in this, says the LORD Almighty and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of Heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it." Simply put, our greatest motivation for cheerful and generous giving should be that it pleases the Lord and reflects His gift of salvation to us. We don't have a "give to get," mentality, but instead give cheerfully as a way of life. Being generous is for the Christian who understands the grace of our generous God.

## »»» TO FORWARD THE MISSION + VISION

You can give in person, on our app, our website or:  
-Simply text the word **GIVE** to **(270) 366-7947**, followed by your dollar amount.



# FAITH + WORKS

LOCAL MISSION  
GLOBAL MISSION



AS YOU PARTNER WITH rest CHURCH IN REACHING OUT TO THOSE IN SPIRITUAL AND PHYSICAL NEED, YOU WILL BE STRENGTHENED AND FILLED WITH A LOVE FOR OTHERS. JOIN US ON A LOCAL MISSION PROJECT OR ON AN INTERNATIONAL MISSION TRIP.

# #11 Be on Mission



"FOR EVEN THE SON OF MAN CAME NOT TO BE SERVED BUT TO SERVE OTHERS AND TO GIVE HIS LIFE AS A RANSOM FOR MANY."

- MATTHEW 20:28 NLT



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Acts 1:8 says, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." In our community and to the edges of the earth, the body of Christ is called to be a light for Jesus. When you open your eyes, it doesn't take long to find people who are in need and who are hurting all around us. Jesus gave us many examples in the Scriptures of helping others and caring for the poor. Loving people is at the core of authentic Christianity, so serving others as Christ did should be a natural part of your life.

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FOREWORD BY DAVID PLATT

# Growing Up

HOW TO BE A DISCIPLE WHO MAKES DISCIPLES



ROBBY GALLATY

# MULTIPLICATION



DISCIPLES MAKE DISCIPLES THAT MAKE DISCIPLES THAT MAKE DISCIPLES.

**If you make disciples, you'll always get the Church, but if you make a Church you'll rarely get disciples.**

In **Matthew 28:19-20** Jesus taught us to go into all the world and make disciples. A disciple is someone who has decided to follow Jesus and then are led by the Holy Spirit, the Bible and other mature Christians to live their lives doing what Jesus did. Every follower of Jesus has the ability to mentor someone at some level. The new believer inviting a lost friend to Church is pointing the way to Jesus. A stronger Christian who takes the time to help encourage a brother in Christ who needs help in overcoming an area of sin is pointing the way to Jesus. Teaching someone to read their Bible is pointing the way to Jesus. Throughout your life you should always have someone you are continually learning from and someone who you are continually pouring into.

# #12 Mentor someone

AS IRON SHARPENS IRON, SO A FRIEND SHARPENS A FRIEND.  
- PROVERBS 27:17 NLT

## TIPS FOR dGroups:

**GUYS WITH GUYS**

**LOOK FOR FAITHFUL PEOPLE**

**GIRLS WITH GIRLS**

**LOOK FOR AVAILABLE PEOPLE**

**A GOOD RATIO IS 1:3**

**LOOK FOR TEACHABLE PEOPLE**

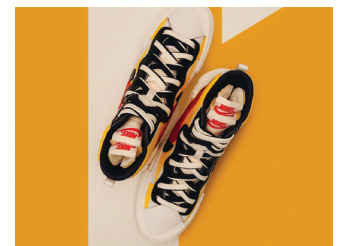
**MEET TOGETHER FOR 6 MONTHS - 1 YEAR**

**GET A PLAN ON MEMORIZING SCRIPTURE**

**GET A PLAN ON WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO STUDY**

**BE ACCOUNTABLE & HOLD OTHERS ACCOUNTABLE**

Determine who God would have you help become a follower, or stronger follower of Jesus, and you will be helping Jesus make disciples of the world. Go make a difference in someone's life today!



## 30 DAYS WITH JESUS BIBLE PLAN

1 Jesus Foretold	Isaiah 53
2 The Birth of Jesus	Matthew 1:18–25
3 John the Baptist	Matthew 3:1–4:11
4 Water to Wine & the Samaritan	John 2:1–11; John 4:1–26
5 Jesus Rejected in His Hometown	Luke 4:14–30
6 Jesus Calls His Disciples	Luke 5:1–11
7 Sermon on the Mount	Luke 6:17–46
8 Three Stories	Matthew 8:1–13
9 Encounters With the Pharisees	Matthew 12:1–13; 22–45
10 Parable of the Sower and the Seed	Matthew 13:1–43
11 Jesus Calms the Storm	Mark 6:45–56
12 Jesus Heals a Man, Woman and Girl	Mark 5:1–43
13 Feeding of the 5000	John 6:1–14
14 Peter Identifies the Christ	Luke 9:18–27; Luke 17:1–8
15 Healing by Faith	Mark 9: 14–32
16 Teachings and Parables	Matthew 17:24–18:20
17 Teachings and Parables	Matthew 18:21–19:15
18 The Rich Young Ruler	Mark 10:17–31
19 Disciples Sent Out	Luke 10:1–24
20 The Good Samaritan	Luke 10:25–37
21 Jesus Teaches How to Pray	Luke 11:1–13
22 Jesus Revives Lazarus	John 11:1–44
23 Jesus Comes to Jerusalem	Matthew 21:1–27
24 The Last Supper	John 13:1–17
25 Comfort for the Disciples	John 14–15
26 Jesus Arrested and Disowned	Matthew 26:36–75
27 Jesus' Trial	John 18:19–19:16
28 Jesus Crucifixion and Death	John 19:17–42
29 Jesus' Resurrection and Appearances	John 20–21
30 The Great Commission and Ascension	Matthew 28:16–20

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