

3M Mentoring

Miracle Life Seminar

Session One: The Great Co-Mission

Introduction:

The Great Commission that Jesus authorised His followers to fulfil found in Matthew 28:18 is all about _____. **“Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”**

To accomplish this directive from Jesus, we need to understand what a disciple is. Starting with the end in view, enables us to “backwards engineer” the process. Luke 6:40 offers significant insight. Here we are told, **“A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher.”** Jesus is our teacher and is the one we are to emulate. The following verses in the New Testament corroborate the truth that a mature disciple will manifest the image and character of Christ Himself and will replicate His works on the earth:

- *Those who say they live in God should live their lives as Jesus did (1 John 2:6, NLT).*
- *For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters (Romans 8:29, NLT).*
- *Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father (John 14:12, NIV).*

Equipping the Saints

Discipleship, by necessity, involves an _____ process (See *Ephesians 4:11-13*).

Equipping, in verse 12 of Ephesians 4 comes from a Greek word that is rendered elsewhere, “to heal, to mend, to repair, to prepare, to adjust, to fit, to thoroughly furnish, and to be perfectly joined together.” In Matthew 4:21, a derivative it is translated _____ in reference to torn fishing nets being repaired. **“Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets....”**

MEND AND SEND

There are two stories in the Bible that illustrate how God repairs and prepares us. Both have to do with a miraculous catch of fish and fishing nets in particular. Let’s look at Luke 5:4-11 and John 21:4-11.

What happened to the fishing net in Luke’s account after the great catch of fish? In John’s narrative, what was affected did the large catch of fish have on the net there? Why do you think Father God has these two stories recorded? What do you think was happening in the lives of the disciples during the three years they were with Jesus? What were they learning? How were they being changed and prepared for their calling?

Purpose of Discipleship

The purpose of discipleship is to repair us of our brokenness in order to prepare us for God’s purposes. God wants to mend us of our misery so He can move us into our ministry!

As we study the Gospels, we see Jesus systematically preparing His disciples to carry on His ministry when He leaves the earth. He dealt with their hearts. He challenged their faith and developed their character. He invested His authority to them so that they could heal every kind of sickness and drive out all demon spirits. Jesus taught the disciples that the key to a life of power is through fully surrendering to Him. As contemporary disciples of Christ, we have been predestined to walk like Jesus and do His mighty works. Anything less than this is to deny Jesus the reward of His suffering.

Group Discussion: What are the specific things Jesus said His disciples are to do? Read Matthew 10:7-8; Luke 9:1-2; 10:19; Matthew 10:1; Mark 16:17-18.

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Session Two: The Gospel Message

I am not ashamed of the Gospel for it is the power of God unto salvation for everyone who believes” (Romans 1:16).

The Gospel (Greek, *euaggelion*,) is literally “Good News.” An evangelist (Greek, *euangelos*) was one who brought a message of victory or other political or personal news that caused joy. For Israel, the "good news" is that the Lord has freed (vindicated) the nation and its divinely anointed ruler from the hands of their enemies. In the New Covenant, Jesus came to free us from our enemies as well. Consider that Jesus Christ came “**...to rescue us from the hand of our enemies and to enable us to serve him without fear in holiness and righteousness before him all our days” (Luke 1:74-75).**

The concept of *salvation* (soteria) in the New Testament is of our being **free from the harassment of an enemy.**” The Greek verb ‘save’ is *sozo*. It can be translated several different ways. For example, “to save, to deliver, to heal, or to make whole.” Moreover, the application goes beyond the spiritual including also, the social, physical, and even psychological. John G Lake refers to the Gospel as _____ salvation for it offers comprehensive salvation for the entire man: spirit, soul, and body.

Biblical Examples of Salvation/Save [Soteria/Sozo]

1. **Forgiveness of Sin:** “And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” (Matthew 1:21, NLT).
2. **Deliverance From Demons:** “They also who had seen it told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed” (Luke 8:36).
3. **Healing of Sickness and Disease:** “The prayer of faith shall save [sozo] the sick” (James 5:15).
4. **Psychological Wholeness:** In James 1:21, “receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to *save your souls.*” *Soul speaks of _____:* emotions, affection, thought-life, and volition.

He Bore Our Pain

Matthew 8:16-17, NKJV declares, "When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a

word and healed all the sick. This was to fulfil what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: 'He took up our infirmities and bore our *sicknesses*.'

Matthew specifically records that Jesus was fulfilling what was previously written by the prophet Isaiah. "Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our *sorrows*, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted" (Isaiah 53:4).

You will notice that there seems to be a discrepancy between Matthew's wording and that of Isaiah. Matthew says that Jesus carried our '*sicknesses*.' Isaiah says '*sorrows*.' There is no contradiction here. The Hebrew word in Isaiah's text means "to feel pain." It can be translated literally or figuratively. The implication is something we should not overlook. The Holy Spirit is saying that Christ went to the Cross to redeem us from all pain: spiritual, psychological, and physiological.

Deliver Us From Evil

Jesus instructed us to pray that we would be delivered from _____ (Matthew 6:13). A study of the word 'evil' reveals the full scope of our salvation. In the New Testament language 'evil' is ***poneros*** and is a derivative of the word ***ponos*** meaning _____. And that word stems from the root word ***penes*** meaning _____. Put it all together and we conclude that Christ paid the price for us to be delivered from evil-sin/demons, pain/sickness, poor/poverty. On the Cross, Jesus destroyed the power of sin, provided for healing of all kinds of sickness and disease, deliverance from demonic spirits, and made a way for us to walk in supernatural provision to escape poverty.

Calling on the Name of the Lord

Romans 10:13, "Whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Psalms 50:15, "And call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honour me."