

## HELPING A NEW CHRISTIAN GROW

### INTRODUCTION:

1. Definition: A time when you invest your life into that of another, helping that individual mature in Christ bringing glory to God. Spiritual Pediatrics.
2. Possibilities: Isaiah 60:22; 2 Timothy 2:2... Multiplication, making an impact on his/her sphere of influence for Christ and the Kingdom of God.
3. Biblical Basis: (Scriptural References)

Acts 17:11.....Matt. 28:19,20.....Col. 1:28,29.....  
1 Thes. 2:7,8.....Col. 2:7,8.....1 Thes. 2:10-12.....  
2 Tim. 2:2.....Acts 20:28.....Col. 2:10-12.....  
Acts 15:36.....Eph. 4:11-13.....1 Thes. 2:19-20.....  
1 Cor. 4:15.....Isaiah 60:22.....Isaiah 58:10-12.....  
Psalms 78:7.....2 Cor. 4:1.....John 21:15.....

4. When Should This be Done?

Disciplemaking Process Handout.

5. Five Steps in Helping A Person: (Overhead)

- a. Tell Him WHY.....Explanation
- b. Show Him HOW.....Demonstration
- c. Get Him STARTED.....Origination
- d. Keep Him GOING.....Perpetuation
- e. Get Him to Reproduce in Another Life.....Reproduction

6. What Is To Be Covered Each Session?

- a. Prayer
- b. Progress (encouragement and accountability).
- c. Principles (The WHEEL) Review Verses
- d. Personal (How is he doing?)
- e. Prayer (Over things discussed)
- f. Remember...Only God the Holy Spirit can change a person.

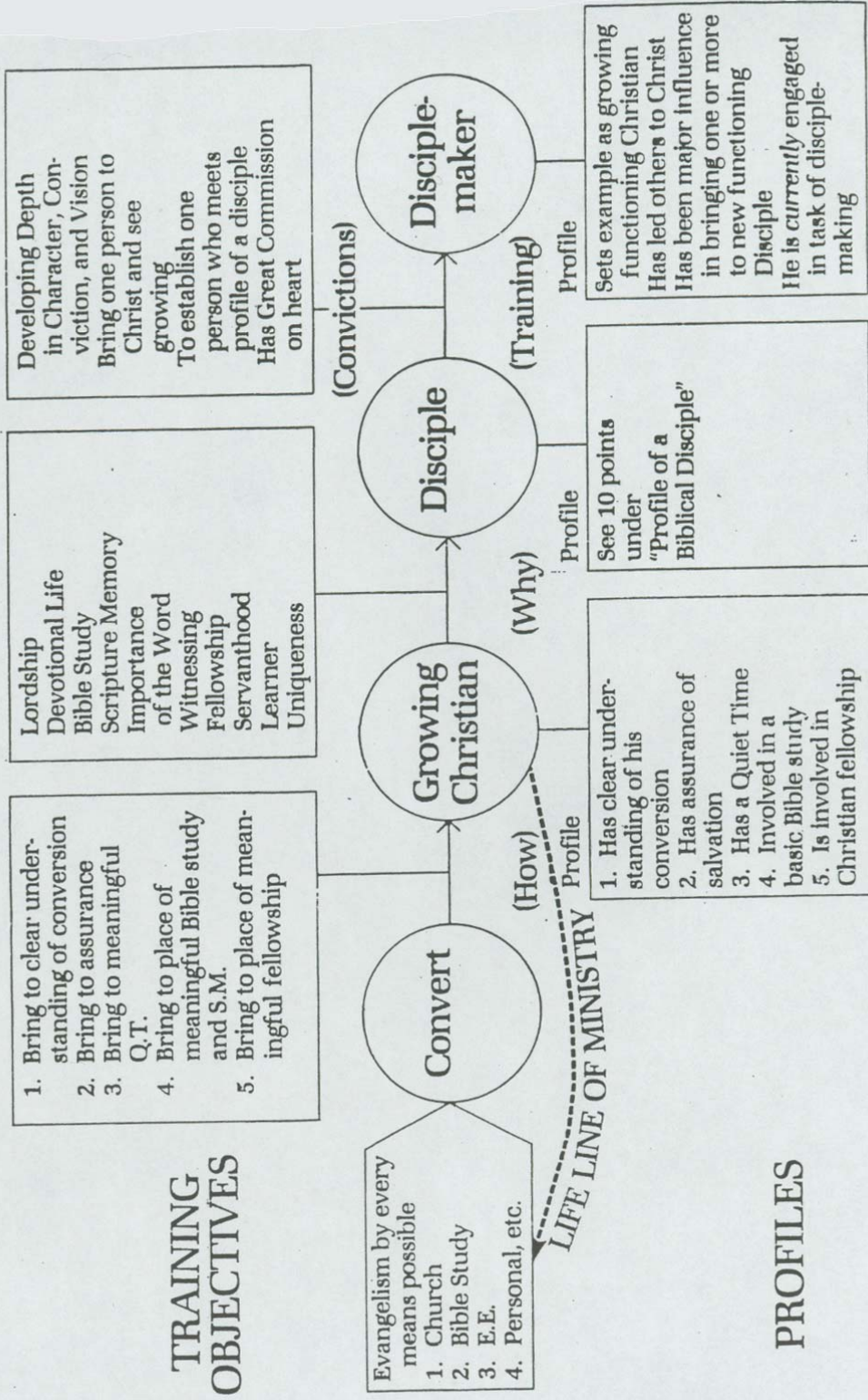
7. Hand Outs.

- A Disciplemaking Process
- b. Stages of Disciplemaking
- c. Christian Growth Chart
- d. Temperments
- e. Principles For Helping Others (John 17)
- f. Helping Others Spiritually (Quiz)
- g. Follow Up Guidance Chart

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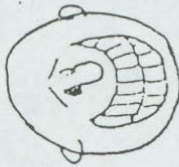
# THE DISCIPLEMAKING PROCESS



A healthy ministry will have a balance on: Heart, Vision and Know-How



SANGUINE



PETOK

STRENGTHS: TALKATIVE - OUTGOING - ENTHUSIASTIC - WARM - PERSONABLE  
FRIENDLY - COMPASSIONATE - CAREFREE

WEAKNESSES: WEAKWILLED - UNSTABLE - RESTLESS - UNDEPENDABLE  
EGOCENTRIC - LOUD - EXAGGERATES - FEARFUL

MELANCHOLY

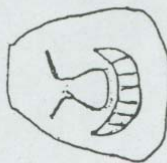


PHOENIX

STRENGTHS: GIFTED - ANALYTICAL - SENSITIVE - PERFECTIONIST  
IDEALISTIC - LOYAL - SELF-SACRIFICING

WEAKNESSES: SELF-CENTERED - MOODY - NEGATIVE - THEORETICAL  
IMPRATICAL - UNSOCIABLE - CRITICAL - REGENEFUL

CHOLERIC



PAUL

STRENGTHS: STRONG WILLED - DETERMINED - INDEPENDENT - OPTIMISTIC  
PRACTICAL - PRODUCTIVE - DECISIVE - LEADER - CONFIDENT

WEAKNESSES: ANGRY - CRUEL - SARCASTIC - DOMINEERING - PROUD - CRAFTY  
SELF-SUFFICIENT - UNEMOTIONAL

PHLEGMATIC



ABRAHAM

STRENGTHS: CALM - EASY GOING - DEPENDABLE - EFFICIENT - LEADER  
CONSERVATIVE - PRACTICAL - DIPLOMAT - HUMOROUS

WEAKNESSES: STINGY - FEARFUL - INDECISIVE - SPECTATOR -  
SELF PROTECTIVE - SELFISH - UNMOTIVATED

CHRISTIAN GROWTH II

I N T A K E S			O U T P U T S		
Word	Prayer	Fellowship	Ministry	Character	Faith
Mind and attitudes controlled by Word i.e. the Word is relevant to every area and event in his life.	Considers prayer essential to God's working in and through him, and prays accordingly.	Lives an open honest life, blameless in relationships (no bitterness or offenses).	Has produced a disciple and is working with others.	Serving stage. Gives of self without expecting anything in return	Is living the faith rest life of Hebrews 4:1-11
He is developing his own convictions and his own reasons for what he believes.	Prayer centers on praising God.	Is closely associated with at least one other person and receives direction for his life.	Is doing some initial follow-up.	Sharing stage. Gives of self to others but expects to get some of his desires if he abides by the rules.	Trusts God's sovereignty in all issues of life.
Meditates on the Word and feeds himself from it.	Prays in faith, praying specifically and believing God for big things.	Involved in spiritual activities with other Christians. Is being helped on a personal level.	Has led one person to Christ and is concerned for their growth.	Surrenders on issues as God puts His finger on them (i.e. conviction from the Word).	Is claiming specific promises from the Word.
Has a regular intake of the Word and applies it to his life.	Has a daily prayer time.	Prefers Christians as friends.	Is able to share the Gospel and is doing it among some friends.	Cleansing his life from "sin" primarily according to dictates of his Christian society.	Believes in God's good character and in His power and might.
Reads the Word occasionally. Has an appreciation for it.	Prays when problems concerns and worries arise.	Attends church or other Christian gatherings.	Can share his testimony.	Lives respectably by the world's standards.	Has assurance of salvation.
Has respect for Bible and for Jesus' words.	Has thanked God for salvation.	Likes being around some Christians.	Has shared fact of receiving Christ with at least one other.	Is repentant and sorrowful for past sins.	Accepts Jesus as his Saviour and believes he is saved.

Maturity

Discipleship

Infancy

Birth

EVALUATION AND PLANNING SHEET

Word	Prayer	Fellowship	Ministry	Character	Faith
Control	Essential	Open	Teaching	Serves	Trusts Sovereignty
Convictions	Praise	Close	Follow-up	Shares	Faith - rest
Feeding	Specifically	Involved	Fruit	Surrenders	Claims Promises
Intake	Daily	Prefers	Gospel	Cleansing	God's Greatness
Reads	Concerns	Attends	Testimony	Respectable	Assurance
Respect	Grateful	Likes some	Identification	Repentant	Accepts

Strengthening Accomplishment

Areas Needing Strengthening

Plan for strengthening	Time Schedule	✓

Steps Toward Maturity

Plan for motivating	Time Schedule	✓

Plan of action	Goals	Check-up	Pass-on



# PRINCIPLES FOR HELPING OTHERS

## (John 17)

### Verse

- 3 Our job is to lead them to Christ
- 6 God *gives* to us the people in which we are to invest our lives  
(also verse 9, 24)
- 7 They need to know that *everything* of worth that we have is from  
God Himself (also verse 10)
- 8 We need to give them *God's Word* (also verse 14, 17)
- 9 Realize that they are *not ours*, but God's – They are “on loan” from  
Him
- 10 Our objective is to *glorify* Christ
- 11 We are to walk in *unity* – as an example to unbelievers  
(also verse 21, 22, 23)
- 12 We are to *guard* the younger one
- 15 We are to pray for their *protection* from Satan
- 16 We are *pilgrims* in this world (just passing through)
- 17 The objective is *holiness* – sanctification as we are exposed to God's  
Word (also verse 19)
- 18 We have been sent into the world as *ambassadors* for Jesus Christ.
- 19 We can have an *impact* on future generations *through these* which we  
help today
- 23 As we allow Christ to live “in us,” the world understands that Christ  
loves them
- 24 Our reward will be to someday be with Him and behold *His glory*
- 25 We must understand that God *sent* Christ to us because of His love for  
us, and in turn *sends us* to others
- 26 As we minister to others, it is done in the *strength* of His love in us,  
which is from God

## HELPING OTHER SPIRITUALLY (A QUIZ)

What is your motivation to help others in their spiritual growth?

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Which groups of people in your life do you feel the *most* responsible to help grow spiritually? (List in priority order) (Examples: church members, co-workers, family, converts)?

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| a. _____ | d. _____ |
| b. _____ | e. _____ |
| c. _____ | f. _____ |

List several methods that you have used or could use to help people grow Spiritually.

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| a. _____ | d. _____ |
| b. _____ | e. _____ |
| c. _____ | f. _____ |

List several people that helped you grow spiritually, what method they used, and what area they assisted your growth.

Examples:      Father                      Modeled Daily                      Quiet Time  
                             Businessman                      Small Group                      Bible Study

<u>Person</u>	<u>Method</u>	<u>Area of Growth</u>