

# **Five Laws of Disciple Making**

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## I. Introduction.

A. When Saul was confronted with sin he rationalized. When David was confronted, he reacted honestly. (Psalm 32)

B. Jesus completed the work of training men and redemption that God gave Him to do. (John 17:4-6; 19:30)

C. There are guidelines for making disciples.

## II. Create an atmosphere that optimizes the possibility of personal discovery of the truth. We only believe what we have experientially discovered. (II Kings 6:15-17)

## III. Give the disciple opportunities for exposure to the truth commensurate with his capacity to comprehend. (Isaiah 28:9-10)

A. Start with a basic Bible reading program, have a quiet time with that person, and use some of the Bible study programs that have been written.

B. God wants obedience and not just information.

## IV. Help the disciple see and hear the truth simultaneously. (John 1:14, I John 1:1)

A. The gospel does not come in word only. (I Thessalonians 1:5-7)

B. People need words to be saved, but Paul's gospel came in power, the Holy Spirit and character. (I Corinthians 11:1-2, Philipians 4:9)

## V. The target of truth is the conscience and not merely the intellect. (II Corinthians 4:1-2, I Timothy 1:5)

A. It is dangerous to appeal to emotion primarily.

B. Emotions follow.

C. Love and joy are acts of the will. (John 13:17)

## VI. The truth is sufficient as a final authority in the life of the disciple. (Acts 20:32)

A. The word of God changes your life. (I Thessalonians 2:13)

B. We cannot do anything against the truth. (II Corinthians 13:8)

**Application questions:**

1. How can one create an atmosphere of self-discovery?

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2. Why can too much information be a bad thing?

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3. Which “law” do you think is the most important for disciple making? Explain.

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