

Objective

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I. Introduction.

- A. The Great Commission is about winning men to Christ and discipling them. (Matthew 28:19-20; Luke 19:10)
- B. God's personal objective for each believer is to conform them to the image of his Son. (Romans 8:29; Ephesians 4:13)
- C. The fulfilling of part A of the Great Commission is dependent upon by the fulfilling of part B.
- D. The world will only be reached by nonprofessionals because the task is too great.
- E. The world can only be won by the multiplication of disciples. Multiplication works greater than addition in evangelism and discipleship. (2 Corinthians 3:18)

II. Looking at Jesus helps us change. (John 5:19; Hebrews 12; Psalm 34:5; Hebrews 2:9; Matthew 17:8)

III. How we measure whether our students are changing:

- A. Ask whether they know him more intimately. (Isaiah 33:10; Hosea 6:6; 2 Peter 1:2)
- B. Ask whether they are trusting God for more today than before. (Hebrews 11:6; 1 Thessalonians 3:5)
- C. Ask about their inward and outward fruit. (Galatians 5:22-23; John 15:8)

IV. What a teacher can do.

- A. Keep the objective in mind: win men and disciple them.
- B. Keep sensitive and available to God (have a Jesus' mindset). (Acts 4:13; 2 Timothy 2:8)
- C. Lead a godly life. (2 Thessalonians 4:7; Hebrews 12:4)
- D. Pay the price in prayer and in preparation (find your objective, one thought, one feeling and response).
- E. Remember you are teaching people and not lessons.
- F. Develop measurable goals as far as results and time.

Application questions:

1. What is a Christian's objective? How does the Bible show this?

2. What is the principle of multiplication in discipleship?

3. Which tip for disciple making did you find most helpful? Explain.
