



McLean Bible Church
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Five Keys for Discipleship in Groups

Multiplication - Disciples produce disciples and as followers of Jesus Christ our duty is to make disciples. Disciples must be producing and multiplying in their communities, schools, and jobs.

Love- Disciples of Jesus Christ and disciples who are making disciples must be marked by love. As relationships are being built around the Gospel message, genuine disciples must have love for one another.

Encourage - Disciples must encourage and exhort people to the truth of God. We must challenge and rebuke gently the people we are doing life with and walking. The goal is the likeness of Christ and this goal will be obtaining through real relationships that model grace, love, and discipline.

Set an example - Our call as disciples is to follow the example of Jesus Christ and then to be the example for others so that they may be imitators of us as we are imitators of Christ Jesus. As disciples we are called to set the example for others. That is the model of discipleship that is found in Scripture. We are to model for others the life of Christ Jesus.

Service – As believers in Christ, we hold to the fact that we are all made in the image of God. This Gospel truth coupled with the reality that we have been justified and declared righteous because of Jesus should compel our hearts to seek to bring forth justice on the earth. Through social justice, we point to the coming perfect judge who died and rose from the grave to redeem and reconcile sinners to God, all while standing up for the oppressed. We believe that the Gospel and social justice are not at opposite ends, but rather that the Gospel has social implications. Faith in Jesus is not a faith that does nothing, but a faith that empowers action for the glory of God and good of humanity.