Connection Group
Make Disciples - Week 1

Questions: This week is all about following Jesus as Disciples.

- At the very end of the Gospel of Matthew, (Matthew 28:19-20) Jesus only gives us one command. What is it?
- Matthew 28:19 Jesus not only commands disciples he also describes a disciple in 28:19b-20. How does Jesus describe a disciple?
- What does it mean to observe what Jesus taught? What does it practically look like when a disciple observes?
- How did Jesus describe the life of a disciple according to the passages of Luke or John listed below? Pick the passages from either Luke or John, and restate in one sentence what you believe Jesus teaches about the life of a disciple. Luke 6:40; 12:26,27,33 Or John 8:31, 13:35, 15:8, 15:12
- Do you see any differences in what Jesus focuses on in the life of a disciple when you compare John and Luke? If so, What?
- Based on your reading of these passages and other passages of scripture, how would you define a disciple? A disciple is….
- What is the difference between a disciple that followed Jesus and the Crowd that followed Jesus? What does Paul say in 2 timothy 2:2 and how does this apply to the difference between the crowd and the disciples?
- According to Matthew 28:17, what may cause the disciples to stop following Jesus? What might the word Doubt mean in this passage?
- According to Matthew 28:18, 20 what two statements did Jesus make to encourage the disciples? What do you think Jesus wants his disciples to understand? How would Jesus's words prepare them to live out Matthew 28:19-20.

Diving Deeper

How does the role of Prophet Priest and King (Mat 17:5) help us understand the significance of Christ and following him? (see also Hebrews 1:1-3, 8)

Conclusion and Application: Matthew 28:20 teaches us that a "**OBSERVES"** the life and teaching of Christ. Knowing Jesus desires this in your life, is there anything in your life you want to begin doing, stop doing or keep doing in order to live the life of a disciple?

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Further Personal Study: On Discipleship

Read **John 13-17**. Consider what Jesus may be calling you to do as a disciple. These chapters represent the final moments Jesus spent with his disciples. He taught them several valuable lessons in regards to following Him.

This Week's Memory Verse is: **Hebrews 1:1-2**