Garden City Disciple Making Training

Week 9: Pillar 5 - GO FOR CHRIST

I. WELCOME & TESTIMONIES -12

- A. Amy-sent via website
 - 1. Highlight
 - Family restorations
 - Obedience
 - Gospel
 - Multiplication—training others
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 - ***send texts ***
 - 2. Callings unlocked
 - a) Hope you see this is for everyone
 - b) Prophets, through hearing for people on your prayer calendar
 - c) Evangelist, working the unsaved list
 - d) Pastors, through discipling people through the tools
 - e) Gifts of mercy, by taking people through the identity tool
- B. Jourdan

II. OUTWARD FOCUS -5

- A. This morning marks a shift
- B. Tools now totally outward focused, verses personal growth
- C. Refresh us Great commission passages during faith and fellowship.
- D. Said at different times to overlapping audiences
- E. Read in a conversational tone all the way through, without the addresses, want you to hear the Lord speaking to you through them

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Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld." (John 20:21-23)

"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and Io, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:15-16)

"Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." (Luke 24:49)

8 "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:6-8)

III. ACTION BASED LEARNING -12

- A. passages and testimonies meant to inspire, stir, and move us to action
- B. Know what you're saying, know what you want, so we can help you get it done.
- C. In order to take action, we must first know a few things

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In order to take action, we must first know:

- 1. Where we are
- 2. Where we want to be
- 3. What is keeping us from getting where we want to be
- 4. What do we need to get to where we want to be
 - D. As it relates to what we need to get to where we want to be, we've been trying to stir with testimonies to increase your faith and **tools to walk it out.**
 - E. As it relates to the other 3, going to look at a **couple questions** that will be **bring clarity**, and more importantly **inform your prayers**

IV. GREAT COMMANDMENT ASSESSMENT

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Where are you with reaching out to the lost?

- 1- I don't really have a heart for it
- 3- I know it's important, but I don't seek to reach the lost
- 5- I seek to reach the lost, but it's infrequent

- 7- I am intentional about fostering gospel opportunities with the lost
- 9- I arrange my life in ways that will help me reach the lost
 - 1. For 5 and above, it means actually sharing the gospel or walking alongside people in a some type of discovery journey in the bible, versus just building bridges with people.
 - 2. Make that **distinction** because sometimes we **build lots of bridges**, but we **don't actually cross** them. Bridges are made to be crossed.
 - 3. Phrases are to help you gauge.
 - 4. Think and write out the phrase, or something that is a personal reflection of that. The words are not as important as the overall meaning. (**3 minutes**)
 - V. HINDRANCE -5
 - A. 3rd aspect of the 4 things we need to know in order to take action–What is keeping us from getting where we want to be– what need to figure out what is hindering us
 - B. Second self-assessment
 - C. Write out 1 or 2 specifics
- SLIDE:

What do you think are some of your main hindrances?

1- Apathy -Priority, Preference, Preoccupation

2- Fear -Persecution, Perception, Rejection

3- Faith -Doubt, Discouragement

4- Time -Margin, Management

- VI. REFLECTION -3
 - 1. Spend some time with the Lord, acknowledging where you were in the **previous assessment**, the things that **hinder** you, and ask him to give you **grace** to at least move to the **next step** shown in the assessment with greater effectiveness, intentionality, and zeal.
 - 2. Listen for action step
 - 3. Put first assessment back up for reflection

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VII. FOUNDATIONAL PASSAGE

A. Foundational passage—Mark 3:13-15.

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And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him. And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might <u>send</u> them out to preach and have authority to cast out demons. -Mark 3:13-15

VIII. INTRODUCE PILLAR -7

- A. Our 5th pillar comes from the phrase "send them out to preach"
- B. Jesus calls us to be those who go out and expand his kingdom by sharing good news of it with those in our family, communities, circles of influence, and the nations.
- C. The purpose of this pillar is to help us to grow in our ability to effectively share the gospel, assess responses, and lead people on the journey toward Christ and baptism.
- D. We call this pillar "Go for Christ"
- E. Matthew 28:16-20 as a reference passage.

SLIDE:

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." -Matthew 28:16-20

- F. In this passage, Jesus gives his final words before he returns to heaven. His instructions are for his disciples to go make and multiply other disciples who will obey all that he taught them. and he sends them off with the promise that he would be with them, and ultimately with us, until the end of the age.
- IX. The first tool is one that will empower you to share the gospel in a visual format. It's commonly called the 3-circles.
 - A. Often, the hardest past of sharing the Gospel with someone is simply getting into the conversation. One of the most effective ways that I've found to help open the door is to ask the question, "May I draw you a picture of something that changed my life?"
 - B. I say it that way because the picture itself didn't change my life, but the truth that it communicates did. And most people are so intrigued by the question, they say yes just to see what it is. It's actually a pretty easy question to slide into any conversation

- C. Once they say yes, this is how I proceed with the tool:
- X. DRAWING -32
 - A. Me
 - B. Partner up
 - 1. 10 minutes each, 5 minute timer
 - 2. PUT UP INVITATION SLIDE
 - 3. Each person invite them to respond

SLIDE:

INVITATION TO RESPOND

- If you are honest with me, and more importantly, if you are honest with yourself, would you say you are in the broken world and adding to it, or have you turned from your sin to follow Christ and are growing closer to him everyday?
- If they say they are part of the broken world, I ask "Do you want to stay there?"
- "Do you feel God leading you to turn from your sin to follow Jesus?"
- "Do you feel like God is leading you to do that today?"
 - XI. Gospel Response Tool -3
 - A. Those questions help evaluate where a person is, but just like everything else, things should be conversational.
 - B. No matter the response you get, you'll be able to put them into one of three categories which we call red light, yellow light, and green light, to use the analogy of a traffic light.
 - C. We see an example of all three of these reflected in Acts 17:30-34, after the apostle Paul preaches to a group in Athens.
 - D. Next week...

XII. CLOSING

A. Share. Pray. Obey.

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Share: Draw the tool for someone you feel comfortable with (read & practice first).

Pray: Matthew 9:38 or Luke 10:02 alarm

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." -Luke10:02

Obey: Any action step God gave you as a response to prayer (accountability helps).

- B. Pick up children
- **C.** Eden Center, please help with tables.
- **D.** Trash and Extra supplies