

How to Have a Multiplying Ministry

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: I Thessalonians 1, Acts 17:17.

B. Paul had his ministry in the synagogue and the marketplace. The Christian must have his ministry in the church and in the world.

II. Paul did not have a great deal of time where he was at, but he had a tremendous impact nonetheless just as we can.

III. How to have a great ministry.

A. One must learn to present the gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit.

1. A person can witness in an attractive way. (John 20:30-31)

2. The power is not in a person, but in the gospel.

3. The Holy Spirit must be the one to energize the presentation.

4. A person can be filled with weakness, but still be filled with power. (I Corinthians 2:1-5, I Peter 1:23)

B. One must share the good news wherever one is at. One must set the pattern for godly, holy living. (James 4:14)

C. One must get others to imitate him. Other believers learned how to live by following Paul's example. (I Corinthians 11:1, 4:16, Philippians 4:9, 3:17, II Thessalonians 3:7-9)

D. One must teach others to reproduce.

Application questions:

1. What does it look like to present the gospel in the power of the Spirit?

2. How would you respond to someone who claims that expecting others to imitate one is arrogant?

3. How would you evaluate your life as a personal example to others? What areas of your life do you need to work on to help those you with which you have contact? Explain.
