

# Contact-Point Methods

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## I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Matthew 8.
- B. More is done when people are members of a team.
- C. Jesus was moved to compassion when He saw people moving about as sheep without a shepherd. (Numbers 27:15-16, I Peter 5:2-3)
- D. The job of leadership is to serve. (II Corinthians 1:24, Matthew 23:6-12)
- E. The Lord seeks a dear gang—people who witness on their own. This is what the Lord seeks when He asks us to pray for laborers of the harvest.

## II. The Lord built a core of men who were solid at the center. (Matthew 10:1, Philippians 2:25)

- A. Men are selected out of a group.
- B. One of the basic philosophies of the Navigator movement is working with a band of men.
- C. They try to find faithful, teachable men and work with them at the basic level.
- D. Do not be in too much of a hurry to ordain a man so that you do not have to take responsibility for a man. (I Corinthians 1:21)

## III. Characteristics of “good seed.”

- A. Good seed has Christ life. (John 15:5)
- B. It must be sown in the field by Christ.
- C. You have to plant good seed from the nucleus.
- D. Good seed can reproduce.
- E. Good seed must die to reproduce—we can trade our life for thousands of men. (I John 4:16, Isaiah 43:4)
- F. Three marks to look for in a disciple: Does he have a heart for God? Is he willing to pay the price? Is he teachable?
- G. Opposition will come, so the disciple is to have the right attitude toward opposition.
- H. The disciple himself must be out in the battle.

**Application questions:**

1. Why is it important to recognize good seed?

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2. Why build a core of men from the center? What is the purpose of this method?

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3. What steps might you take to look for an effective disciple to invest in for God's kingdom?

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