

Teaching Objectives

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I. Introduction.

A. We measure our success by God's objectives.

II. God's overall objective is to win men to Christ and to disciple men. (Matthew 28:19-20; Luke 19:10)

A. God's specific objective for believers is to conform them to the image of his Son. (Romans 8:29; Ephesians 4:13)

B. Fulfilling of the Great Commission is dependent upon developing men. If the world is to be reached, it will be done by disciples who are reaching men. This is the principle of multiplication.

III. We behold Jesus so that we might do what he did. (2 Corinthians 3:18; John 5:19; 20:21; Hebrews 12:1; Psalm 34:5; Hebrews 2:9; Matthew 17:8)

IV. We measure whether we are following after Jesus by asking whether our investments are knowing Jesus more, trusting Jesus more and producing more fruit. (Isaiah 43:10; 2 Peter 1:2; Hebrews 11:6; Galatians 5:22-23; John 15:8)

V. What we can do.

A. Keep the objective in mind.

B. Keep sensitive and available to God.

1. Fellowship with the Lord. (Acts 4:13)

2. Have a Jesus mindset, which is a godly life. (Hebrews 12:14)

C. Pay the price.

1. One of the great weapons is prayer.

2. We should not waste people's time by not preparing.

D. Develop a program with clear objectives.

E. Take a personal interest in people.

F. Develop measurable goals for people you are investing in.

Application questions:

1. What is your objective?

2. What one thought do you want to convey to people you are discipling?

3. What do you want your disciples to do in a series of several lessons?
