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Engaging Your Community:

A Guide to Seeing All the People

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THE GREAT COMMISSION

¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them
in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.
And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.





Discipleship is:

Personal

Equipping and empowering the people in the pews to own their growth as disciples

• Corporate

Doing everything that we can as the church to provide opportunities to grow in faith as followers of Jesus



⁶ As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so continue to live in him. ⁷Keep your roots deep in him and have your lives built on him. Be strong in the faith, just as you were taught, and always be thankful.



²⁴ Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. ²⁵ For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. ²⁶ For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? Matthew 16:24-26 (*NKJV*)



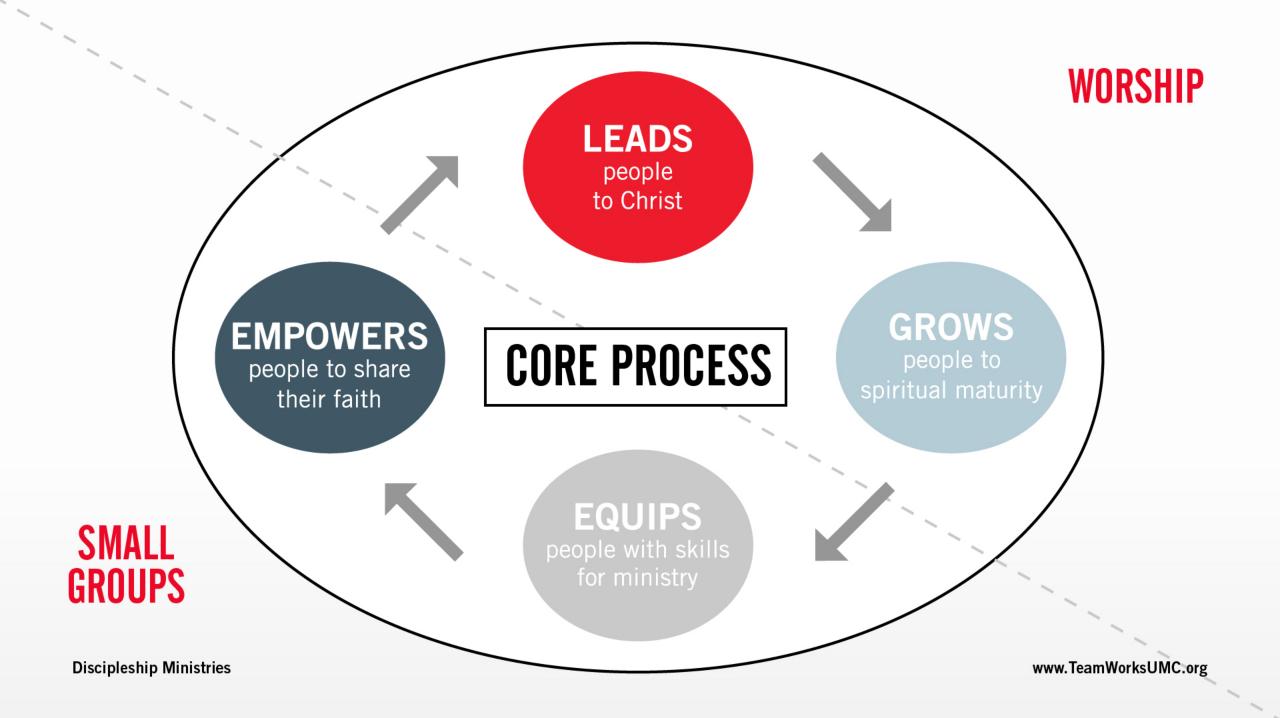
How have you grown in your faith this year? What spiritual discipline/practice has been most helpful?

What is your plan for spiritual growth this upcoming year?









¹⁻² Later the Master selected seventy and sent them ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he intended to go. He gave them this charge: "What a huge harvest! And how few the harvest hands. So on your knees; ask the God of the Harvest to send harvest hands.

³ "On your way! But be careful—this is hazardous work. You're like lambs in a wolf pack.

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⁴ "Travel light. Comb and toothbrush and no extra luggage. "Don't loiter and make small talk with everyone you meet along the way.

⁵⁻⁶ "When you enter a home, greet the family, 'Peace.' If your greeting is received, then it's a good place to stay. But if it's not received, take it back and get out. Don't impose yourself.

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⁷ "Stay at one home, taking your meals there, for a worker deserves three square meals. Don't move from house to house, looking for the best cook in town.

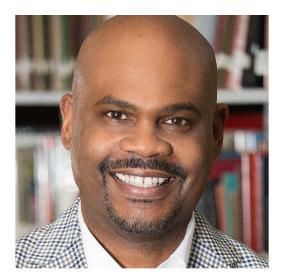
⁸⁻⁹ "When you enter a town and are received, eat what they set before you, heal anyone who is sick, and tell them, 'God's kingdom is right on your doorstep!'

LUKE 10:1-9 (MSG)

STAYS TRUE TO THE DENTITY OF THE TEAM

ADAPTS TO CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES

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