

You Give Them Something!
How Jesus made disciples (Mark 6)
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Happy Mother's Day!

"Some of the most influential disciplers are mothers... for their entire lives."

Performers vs. Observers

Every person is critical. The Great Commission is to every Christian.

- Matt. 28:19 "go... and make disciples" = "go... and teach"
- What does "disciple" mean
 - o Verb (Matt. 28:19) or noun (most common in NT)
 - o Related to following the teachings, instructions of another.

Discipling misconceptions

- 1) It requires intense training to learn to make disciples
- 2) Being a disciple means leaving everything to follow someone
- 3) Disciple making is by a few and for a few

How Jesus did discipleship

- 1) He had a plan and purpose when He chose/ called disciples.
(He also had one when He chose/ called you!)
 - a. Mark 3:13-15. "Appoint" or "ordain" is the same as to "make" or "do."
 - b. Jesus planned to:
 - i. teach them/ personally interact with them
 - ii. Send them out on their own to:
 1. Preach
 2. Heal (KJV includes this)
 3. Cast out demons
 - c. High impact discipleship requires:
 - i. Much personal interaction and time
 - ii. Involving disciples in the work
 - iii. Releasing disciples to independent ministry

- 2) He implemented that plan by actively involving the disciples in His work (Mark 6)
 - a. Seeing Jesus rejected by those who knew Him growing up (v. 1-5a)
 - b. Hearing teaching of Jesus (v. 2a, 5b)
 - c. Being sent out (v. 7) (as planned in Mk.3 :13-15) they:
 - i. Preached repentance
 - ii. Cast out demons
 - iii. Healed the sick
- 3) How effective was it?
 - a. The King noticed! (Mk. 6:14)
 - b. Jesus multiplied His outreach by six.
 - c. Still, the disciples had much to learn.
- 4) The lesson behind the feeding of the 5,000. Who fed them?
 - a. Ask that question of most anybody and the answer would be Jesus. Look closely. Jesus had told the disciples *they* were to feed to crowd. What did He do with them?
 - i. Told the disciples find out how much there was available (v. 38)
 - ii. Seated the crowd (v. 39)
 - iii. Took the food, prayed, broke the bread (v. 41a)
 - iv. Gave the food to the disciples (v. 41b)