

Core Discipleship

What is it?

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Agenda

- Reviewing the meaning of Core Discipleship (CD)?
- Characteristics and the Purpose of CD?
- The 4 Keys of CD?



**Defining Core
Discipleship (CD)
(in your own words)**

CD is...

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***Three
characteristics
of a disciple:***

1. Obedient to God's Word

- If you continue in My Word, you are truly My disciple (John 8:31)

2. Loving

- By this all men will know that you are My disciples if you have love for one another (John 13:35)

3. Fruitful

- By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be My disciple (John 15:8)

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The Core “Purpose”

- To fulfill the following five major Scripture passages:
 1. The Great Commandment
 2. The Great Commission
 3. The Four Keys of Acts 2:42
 4. The Work of Ministry outlined in Ephesians 4:11-13
 5. The Pattern of Discipleship found in 2 Timothy 2:2

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The Core “Purpose”

- To give people the heart, vision, and passion for growing the people in their lives as disciples of Christ
- Making disciple-making a lifestyle to be lived, not a program to be run
 - A lifestyle centered on the practices that result in the spiritual growth of followers of Jesus Christ



The Great Commandment

- **Matthew 22:37-40**

- ³⁷ Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.”^[a] ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”^[b] ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

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The Great Commission

- **Matthew 28:19-20**

- 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.”

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The Four Keys of Core Groups

- **Acts 2:42**
 - ⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

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The Work of Ministry

- Ephesians 4:11-13
 - ¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

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*The Pattern
of
Discipleship*

- **2 Timothy 2:2**

- ²And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.

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Any questions?

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***To consider for
next time...***

REFLECT ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE
A DISCIPLE OF GOD AND WHY HE
DIRECTED US TO "MAKE DISCIPLES
OF ALL NATIONS..."