Maturing in Christ: Disciple Making in the World John 4:1-26 Page # 1061

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I. When and where to witness in the rhythms of life

1. To our family and in our home

"He found first his own brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which translated means Christ)." John 1:41

2. To individuals

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3. To groups

"So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the God-fearing Gentiles, and in the market place every day with those who happened to be present." Acts 17:17

II. Methods of witnessing in the rhythms of life

- 1. Sharing personal testimony
- 2. Explaining the scriptures

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3. Answering questions

"Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you ought to answer each person." Colossians 4:6

"....but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you." 1 Peter 3:15

4. Through writing

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5. Living a gospel attractive life

"You are the light of the world......let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:14a and 16

III. The Manner of witnessing in the rhythms of life

- 1. With love
- 2. With urgency

"Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God." 2 Corinthians 5:20

- 3. With boldness
- 4. With clarity and courtesy

"Be ready to make a defense to anyone who asks you......with gentleness and respect." I Peter 3:15

Faith Sheet

Transformation Verse (September) – You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind...and You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Matthew 22:37-39

Main Themes

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#1 - Reviewing this Past Sunday Maturing in Christ: Disciple Making in the World John 4:7-26

- 1. In what ways do you believe your testimony impacts other people?
- 2. Have you ever asked those who know you the best that question? If not, is there anything that would prevent you from asking them? (Read James 5:16, and ask God to lead you to obey Him in this area.)
- 3. How did you come to know Christ as your Savior and Lord? Explain to your family or to a friend what happened and what He means to you.
- Ask God to grant you the courage to share the Good News with one other person this week. Also, keep pouring into someone else, and don't grow weary of doing what is right.

2- Preparing for Next Sunday DONE Called Together: What is the Gospel? John 3:1-8, 16-21

- 1. Read John 3:1-8, 16-21.
- 2. What are the major differences between followers of Christ and those who have not yet come to surrender to Him as Lord?
- 3. Read John 16:5-11. What is the Holy Spirit now doing? How does this encourage us as we go out with the good news of Jesus Christ?
- 4. Read John 7:37-39. What does salvation in Christ look like in your own words?
- 5. Are you confident that the Gospel is true and powerful? Explain.
- 6. Pray for someone who seems unreachable and hardened.