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**JESUS’ TEACHING TECHNIQUES**

Here is a list of teaching techniques used by Jesus, in order to train His disciples. You can find these and much more information on making disciples in the book *Discipleship That Transforms* (John H. Aukerman – editor).

* **Jesus used what was at hand** (materials / environment) to illustrate His teaching points.
* **Jesus taught with stories** which His audience could identify.
* **Jesus used questions as a teaching technique** to help people come to conclusions they already knew, encouraging them to think for themselves.
* **Jesus used Scripture in His teaching**, conveying its authority, relevance and application for life.
* **Jesus taught with authority** from His own experiences and lived out His words. Jesus also sent out His disciples to do like wise and then held them accountable when they returned.
* **Jesus called for commitment** by inviting His listeners to obedience. He gave them the opportunity to refuse but also clearly presented the cost and reward of discipleship.
* **Jesus was led by the Spirit and spent significant time in prayer**.
	+ He prayed for guidance.
	+ He prayed for help in knowing what and how to teach.
	+ He prayed reflecting and evaluating His experiences.
	+ Prayer renewed Him.
	+ He prayed as an example to His followers.
* **Jesus learned about His audience** through listening, visiting, and responding to their needs.