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Generational Discipleship as Modeled by Jesus

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Our Focus

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Demonstrated by Jesus with His Disciples?

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Used by Jesus & later by the Apostles?

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SELAH MOMENT

STOP LOOKING FOR A PROGRAM AND
SEEK TO UNDERSTAND THE METHOD
THE CREATOR USES TO MOLD WHAT HE
CREATES!

**1st FOUNDATIONAL
TRUTH OF DISCIPLESHIP**

**THE HOLY SPIRIT IS THE
DISCIPLESHIP MENTOR FOR THE
BODY OF CHRIST.**

Isaiah 11:2

- 2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of **wisdom** and **understanding**, the spirit of **counsel** and might, the spirit of **knowledge** and of the fear of the LORD; KJV

Why an Emphasis on Truth?

- **The Adversary IS**
 - A Liar
 - A Deceiver
 - A Thief
 - A Lying Wonder
 - VOID OF ALL TRUTH

2nd FOUNDATIONAL TRUTH OF DISCIPLESHIP

YOU ARE REQUIRED BY GOD TO EQUIP
YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY, AND YOUR
CONGREGATION WITH ONLY ONE THING
– THE WORD OF GOD (TRUTH)

Ephesians 6:13-17

- 13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. 14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with **truth**, and having on the breastplate of **righteousness**; 15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the **gospel of peace**; 16 Above all, taking the shield of **faith**, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. 17 And take the helmet of **salvation**, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the **word of God**:
KJV

**3rd FOUNDATIONAL
TRUTH OF DISCIPLESHIP**

GOD HONORS, BLESSES, MAGNIFIES,
& PROMOTES THOSE THAT WILL SOW
TRUTH INTO OTHERS!

Genesis 18:19

- 19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him. KJV

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**GENERATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP
WITH WISDOM TECHNIQUES**

A Spectrum of Discipleship

- **Natural Progression**
 - **Baby** (totally dependent on others)
 - **Toddler**
 - **Child**
 - **Teenager**
 - **Young Adult**
 - **Mature Adult**
 - **Elder {Patriarch/Matriarch}** –
(Totally dependent on God to sow through into others)

Spiritual Development

- **BABE** – No understanding; Total Dependence; Primed for Growth
- **CHILD / LEARNER** Stability-weak, knowledge low, wisdom – lacking but zeal-filled!
- **BETWEEN AGE** (older child – young adult) Stability increasing; knowledge increasing, zeal increasing / **DANGEROUS STAGE!** (Just enough to do damage if wisdom is lacking!)
- **THE MOMENT / THE CRISIS / THE CHOICE / THE CHALLENGE**
- **ADULT** (Stable, wisdom-increasing, a tempered strong zeal)
- **ELDER** (Stable, wise, downward-focused zeal)

Spiritual Development - Peter

- **BABE** – First Called By Christ (Fish in the Boat – Fisher of Men)
- **CHILD / LEARNER** – Ministry Work in the Field / Storm
- **BETWEEN AGE** – The Rebuke of Jesus / The Last Supper
- **THE MOMENT / THE CRISIS / THE CHOICE / THE CHALLENGE** – The Betrayal
- **ADULT** – Resurrection to Day of Pentecost
- **ELDER** – The Apostle and the Elder (Developed Others)

The Discipleship Model

- Train those called to you.
- Walk with others as you develop.
- You be trained yourself.

The Discipleship Model

- Train those called to you. - **Mentor**
- Walk with others as you develop. – **Friend**
- You be trained yourself. - **Protege**

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Discipleship Techniques

(Based on How God
Programmed Us to
Learn)

Meaningful Relationship

Teachable Moments

Provocative Questions

Saturated Prayer

Proverbs 22:6

6 Train up a child in the way he should go [and in keeping with his individual gift or bent], and when he is old he will not depart from it. AMP

(Applies to spiritual development as well as natural parenting!)

Discipleship Techniques

- **Meaningful Relationship**
- A Conduit of Wisdom
- Trust Through Proximity

John 21:15

- 15 So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs. KJV

Discipleship Techniques

- **Teachable Moments**
- Manageable Nuggets
- Connected to Experiences

Matthew 14:29-31

- 29 And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. 31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? KJV

Discipleship Techniques

- **Provocative Questions**
- Produce Mutual Respect
- Spiritual Revelation
- Tapping Potential Release

Matthew 16:15-17

- 15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. 17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. KJV

Discipleship Techniques

- **Saturated Prayer**
- Herd Protection
- Example to Follow

Luke 22:31-32

- 31 Simon, Simon (Peter), listen! Satan has asked excessively that [all of] you be given up to him [out of the power and keeping of God], that he might sift [all of] you like grain, 32 But I have prayed especially for you [Peter], that your [own] faith may not fail; and when you yourself have turned again, strengthen and establish your brethren. AMP

PETER'S MOMENT – CRISIS – CHALLENGE - CHOICE

- **Luke 22:33-34**
- 33 And [Simon Peter] said to Him, Lord, I am ready to go with You both to prison and to death.
34 But Jesus said, I tell you, Peter, before a [single] cock shall crow this day, you will three times [utterly] deny that you know Me. AMP

Discipleship Techniques

Meaningful Relationship

Teachable Moments

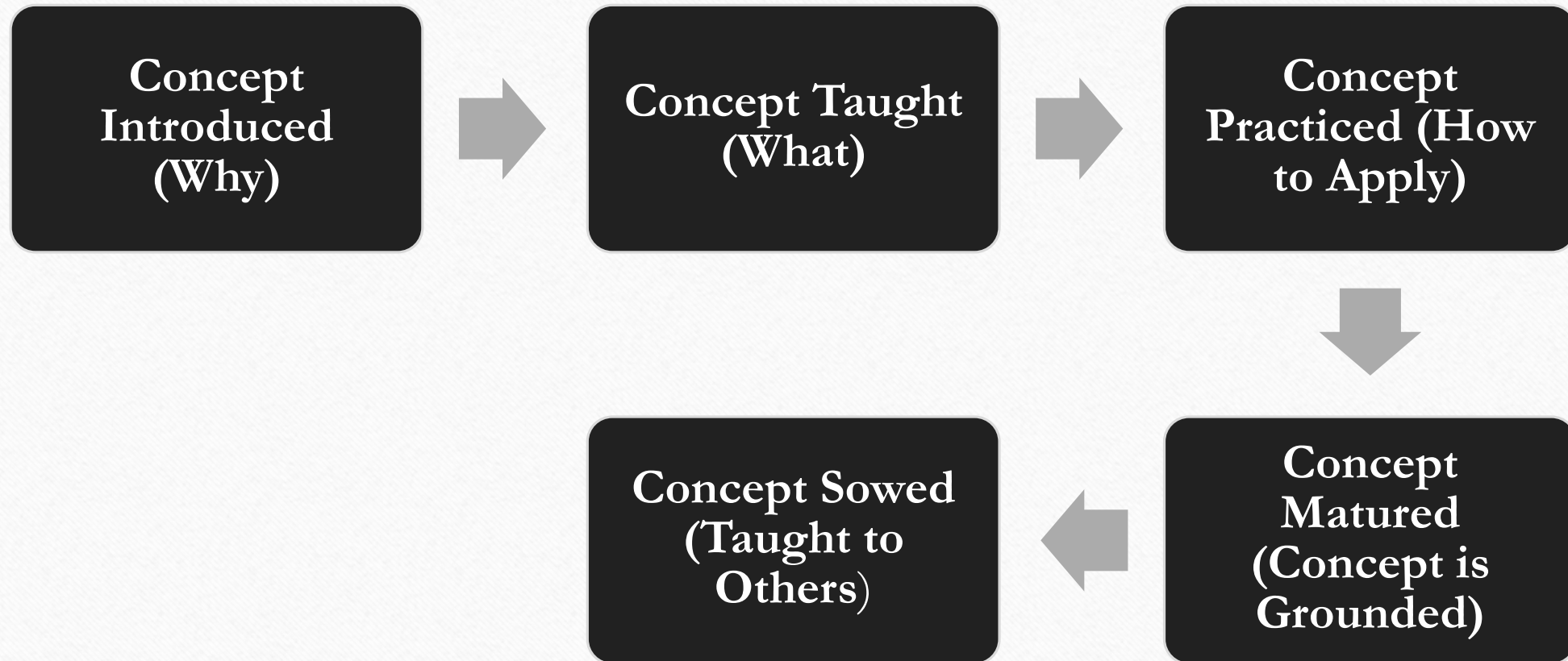
Provocative Questions

Saturated Prayer

Guided Experience

EXPERIENTIAL SCALLFOLDING

(Building with Experiences)



WHY THIS WAY?

TO CREATE DEPENDENCE ON GOD AND INTERCONNECTEDNESS WITHIN THE BODY OF CHRIST. WE NEED WHAT GOD HAS PLACED IN YOU!

Ephesians 4:11-13

- 11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

Ephesians 4:14-16

- 14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; 15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: 16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. KJV

PETER'S TRANSITION – THE PAYOFF

- **Acts 2:22-24**
- 22 Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: 3 Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain: 24 Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it. KJV

STOP!

WATCH OUT!

**(Can be used
against you!)**



**Discipleship
Techniques
(Used To
Disciple
Wickedness)**

Meaningful Relationship

Teachable Moments

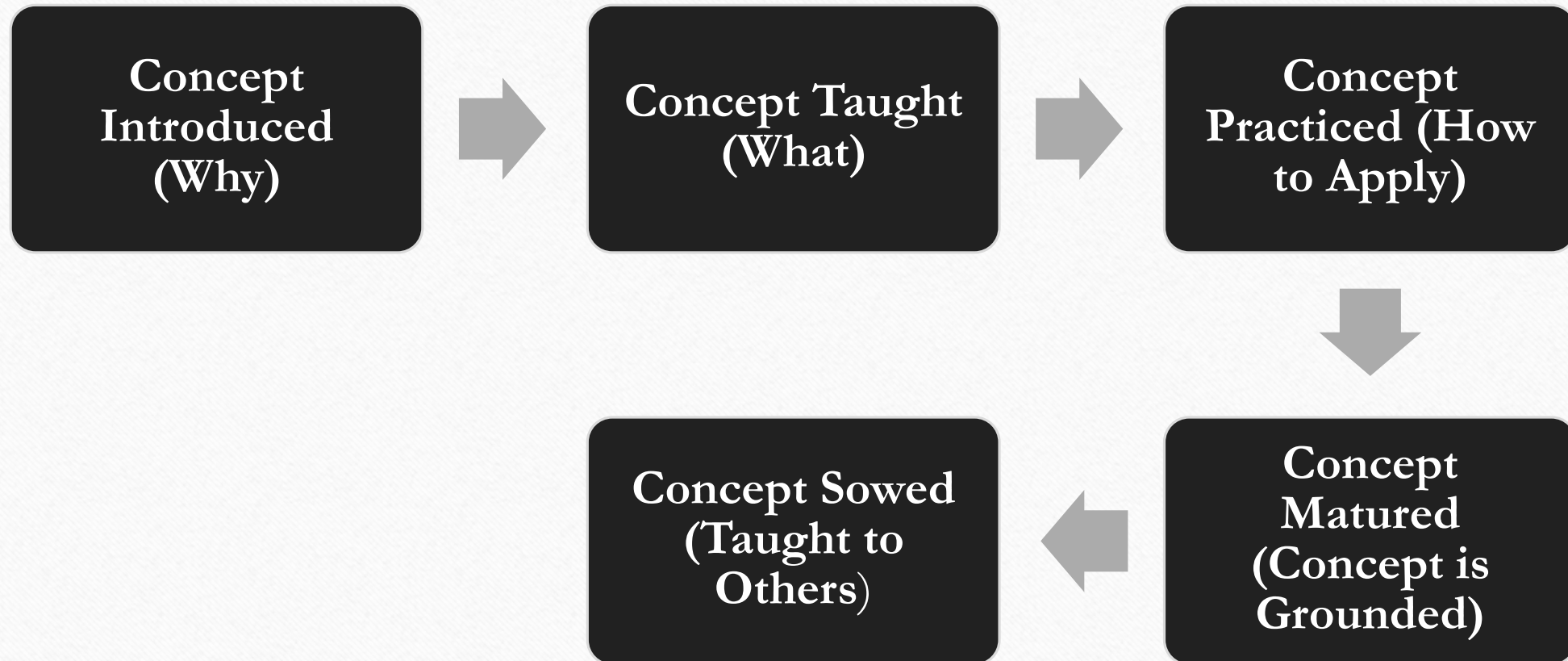
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(Building Wickedness with Experiences)



Matthew 23:15

- 15 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, pretenders (hypocrites)! For you travel over sea and land to make a single proselyte, and when he becomes one [a proselyte], you make him doubly as much a child of hell (Gehenna) as you are. AMP

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SELAH MOMENT

IF JESUS' METHOD TOOK 12 MEN AND
TURNED THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN,
WHAT COULD YOU DO WITH A FEW
TRAINED THE WAY HE TRAINED THEM?

How Do I Set Up Discipleship Efforts?

SELAH MOMENT

THE COLOR OF YOUR CAR IS OF NO CONSEQUENCE. JUST MAKE SURE THAT ALL THE COMPONENTS ARE THERE AND THAT THEY WORK. USE HIS TECHNIQUES AND GET HIS RESULTS.

Discipleship Techniques

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SELAH MOMENT

THE HOLY SPIRIT Poured INTO JESUS.
JESUS Poured INTO THEM. THEY
Poured INTO OTHERS. YOUR TURN TO
BE AN EXAMPLE.

Mentor – Friend – Protégé

- Mentor – experience, trusted advisor/trainer.
- Friend – mutually, close persons supportive of each other's well-being and success.
- Protégé - a person who is guided and supported by an older and more experienced person.
- Each require varying degrees of accountability, access, and activities
- Each require an investment of time, resources, and spiritual capital
- Each produces varying degrees of maturity, stability, and protection

Unbalanced Relationships

- If you have a mentor and friend but no protégé to pour into, you run the risk of being a selfish hoarder.
- If you have a mentor and a protégé but no friend, you run the risk of imploding from the weight of others.
- If you have a friend and a protégé but no mentor, you run the risk of damaging others by sharing untested advice.

Unbalanced Relationships

- If you have a protégé but no mentor and or friend, you are either very old and have become the Patriarch/Matriarch or you run the risk of becoming someone's arrogant god.
- If you have a friend but no mentor or protégé, you run the risk of being the selfish and arrogant blind partner.
- If you are a mentor but have no protégé or friend, you are either very close to God or very alone.

4 Questions to Ponder on Generational Discipleship

- **Who pours into you?** (Your Mentor/Guide)
- **Who walks with you?** (Your Friend/Accountability Brother/Sister)
- **Who receives from you?** (Who do you pour into/Protégé)
- **How do you protect these three relationships?** (From the thief that looks to steal, kill, and destroy?)

QUESTIONS

