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*The point of every session is a main idea with the goal of informing our knowing, feeling, and doing.*

**MAIN IDEA:** We're called to be disciples who make disciples.

**Head Change:** To know that people coming to Christ and joining our churches will have preconceived ideas about God and the Bible.

**Heart Change:** To celebrate that discipling others is as simple as being real as we follow Jesus.

**Life Change:** To be intentional about praying and studying God's Word, investing in a small group of leaders, modeling service, and empowering others to serve.

**Play a round of Broken Telephone with your group. (If you never played this game as a kid, you can easily learn how to play by looking it up online.)**

Games like this are fun because the message received – and revealed – by the last person in the chain of communication is usually completely garbled, and hilarious. The astonishing, powerful thing about the gospel is that the truth about Jesus and His liberating work in our lives has remained unaltered for thousands of years no matter how many times the message is passed from one person to the next. In this session, Jorge Salazar reminds us of the importance of helping those who hear the gospel to live it out in community, and in turn to pass it on to others.

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**VIEW**

As you watch, write down how Jorge answers these questions.

**Why does Jorge call new converts to Christianity “problems waiting to explode”?**

**According to Jorge, why is the path to discipleship constantly overlooked?**

**What are the five steps to becoming a disciple-making church?**

Show SESSION #2: *Disciple-Making Churches for Every People and Place* (16 minutes)

**REVIEW**

Jorge opens the session by painting a scenario: after a powerful evangelistic crusade, fifty new believers join your church!

**According to Jorge, why is this cause for both celebration and concern? When you first became a Christian, did you have some weird ideas about God, church, or the Bible? If so, why were you misinformed (in other words, where did your misconceptions come from)? Who came alongside you to steer you in the direction of truth?**

Jorge says, “We forget that [new believers] need to be taught the rudiments of our faith and also to be disciplined into mature believers who in turn will disciple others.” **On a scale of**

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**the enemy's lies? Do you know anyone whose passion for God's Word is so contagious you want to read your Bible more after hanging out with them?**

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**Second, as a leader, *be real*. Why do so many people accuse Christians of being hypocrites? Would you feel comfortable for a Christian friend or leader to follow you around at work for a week? Why, or why not? Do you show the same respect to the people you live with as you do to your boss or your pastor? Why, or why not? If you have kids, be brave enough to ask them if they think you act the same at church as you do at home. Who is the most authentic and consistent person you know—at home, at church, and in the marketplace? What one thing could you do this week to emulate them?**

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**Third, *invest your life intentionally in a small group of leaders*. Why does Jorge suggest hanging out with only a *small* group of leaders? According to Jorge, why is it also important to invest in people who are different from us (and even people who annoy us)? Do you think the mature Christians who have led and mentored you ever found you annoying?**

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**Fourth, *model service and empower others to serve*. Why do many church leaders attempt to "do it all" themselves? How did Moses, Paul, and Jesus Himself model empowering**

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Luke 11:1 reads, "Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As He finished, one of His disciples came to Him and said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'"

**What does this interaction tell us about the kind of relationship Jesus had with His disciples? How did they know they could certainly learn something from Him, about prayer?**

Read John 8:31. **According to Jesus, what makes us one of His disciples?**

Read Ephesians 4:12–16. **What's the point of mentoring or disciplining other believers?**

Read 1 Peter 4:8–11. **How does thinking of others before ourselves—loving and serving them—strengthen the church?**

The churches mentioned in Revelation had forgotten about the gospel and their love for Jesus; they'd succumbed to false teaching and immorality. In Revelation 3:20, John paints the shocking picture of Jesus being on the outside of church—knocking and asking to come back inside. **Think about the local church you attend. Is Jesus in the building, front and center—or is He knocking to be let back in?**

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## **LAST WORD**

We have heard the undiluted message of Christ because hundreds of thousands of devoted Christians through the ages persevered in the midst of great hardship to preserve the truth for our sakes. Now it's our turn to tell others about the forgiveness and freedom only to be found in Jesus. May we faithfully model the Christian life to the next generation, planting disciple-making churches for every people and place.

## **DEEPER WALK**

*Select at least one activity below to complete before watching the next session.*

**Read:** Study the discipleship relationship between Naomi and Ruth, or Elijah and Elisha, or Paul and Timothy, or Peter and John Mark, or any other Bible character who mentored someone else. What is God saying to you?

**Write:** Write a letter of thanks to an older, wiser friend or leader who has faithfully, patiently mentored you.

**Pray:** Ask God for an opportunity every day this week to pray for someone—out loud and in person.