FOLLOWING JESUS



DISCIPLE-MAKING and MOVEMENT-BUILDING

DISCIPLES are protégés, learners or apprentices to Jesus who multiply disciples by following His methods, cultivating His movement, preparing people for His coming. So a disciple is a person who in every way is becoming more like Jesus!

MOVEMENTS occur where disciples of Jesus mingle, sympathise, meet needs, invite and make disciples who multiply within their relational or community streams!

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DISCOVERY BIBLE READING

A simple effective reading plan—whatever your knowledge or experience of Jesus.

- Friends meet to read stories of Jesus (the Gospel of Mark is a good start).
- One person prays this prayer:

"Dear God, please guide us. Thank You."

- Start at the beginning, reading one story at a time.
- Read each story through twice, then retell the story in your own words.

Discuss the story using 5 questions:

- 1. What is new?
- 2. What surprises you?
- 3. What don't you understand?
- 4. What will you obey or apply?
- 5. What will you share with someone this week?
- · Plan when to meet to read again.
- Pray for each other, something like this:
 "Dear God, Thank You for Your Word.
 Help us to follow You. Amen."

IDEAS-SUGGESTIONS

- If you don't understand something, don't argue—you will read more!
- Invite other people to join you.
- Give each person a bookmark.
- Encourage others to form groups.

WHEN YOU MEET TO READ AGAIN

You could ask:

- 1. Who have you met or caught up with?
- 2. What two things did you learn?

Review:

- 1. How did we go applying the insights?
- 2. How did we go sharing?

Then continue to the next story!