

THE *Big 3*

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There is a level of intentionality that must be employed in order to actually disciple a person in all of life. And there is no way to model and observe people actually living out the life of Jesus unless we do normal life stuff with them and roll discipleship and training into it.

Here are three key things to believe and consider about your discipleship methods...

1. **Discipleship and leadership development should be normal and reproducible.** Classes are great, but if you want people to know how to talk about, live out, and apply the gospel in normal, everyday life, try and do more of your discipleship and training in normal settings that are familiar and reproducible.
2. **The Good News is just as good (and some times better) experienced with a cold beverage and friends.** Don't think that God somehow looks down on your efforts of discipleship if they are not done in a church building. Your old school board members may, but God does not. Jesus went into all the places and participated in the customs that the people he loved frequented. You can to... it's okay.
3. **Give it a try! Host a Cigar & Theology group of your own.** Or try something else that makes sense in your context, but get started with less conventional, more "normal" settings for training and equipping in the gospel. And by the way, events like this with a little tweak of language and posture can be great evangelistic opportunities as well.

While there is absolutely nothing wrong with teaching and training in classrooms, it will never fully develop a mature disciple all by itself. Just in the same way that we raise children in homes, at the park, at stores, in friends' homes, etc., so must our discipleship be life on life.

In light of today's topics, you might find these posts and videos helpful:

- [Should You Focus on Discipleship or Evangelism?](#)
- [Surprise! You Are the Missionary In Your Neighborhood](#)

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