

EPISODE: 259 TITLE: Discipleship and Mission in a Rural Context

If you are living under the false belief that, "Discipleship and a missional lifestyle just won't work in our context," regardless of where you live...

Here are three key things to believe and consider about discipleship in any setting:

- 1. **Jesus' command to make disciples in all nations includes every context**. There is no place on Earth–no neighborhood, city or village, no setting–that His model of discipleship in everyday life will not work. If you are living under the false belief that, "This missional lifestyle just won't work in our context," you are unfortunately believing a lie. It will and it does!
- 2. **"People are people," and the Gospel is good news for everyone**. Helping people move from unbelief to belief in the good news and helping them to believe their true Christ-given identity applies everywhere and to everyone. Regardless of your situation or context in life (including rural settings), you get to invite people to walk in the ways of Jesus with you; this is the privilege and only mission Jesus gave his Church.
- 3. Don't get stuck trying to copy what others are doing to make disciples in their context. Ask the Spirit of the living God to show you the rhythms of your life and those around you that are perfectly suited for discipleship in community. Use the examples you heard today to spur creativity and new possibilities within your heart and mind. And always remember, you're not in this alone–Jesus has promised to do this with you!

Find out more about achieving breakthroughs in disciple-making by being a part of the Everyday Disciple Incubator: <u>123lifeschool.com/incubator</u> (New cohorts are starting soon and spaces are very limited.)

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