

THE *Big 3*

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Discipleship for Jesus was never a series of curriculum or a set of events and classes that he asked his disciples to attend.

Here are three things to believe and consider about creating the right discipleship environment:

1. **Only the Holy Spirit can change hearts and transform lives.** Therefore, he is the primary discipler and equipper of people. He teaches, reminds, convicts, helps, leads, reveals, counsels. “Making disciples” must be done in submission to and in partnership with the Holy Spirit. We can do nothing apart from him (John 15:5).
2. **The gospel must permeate the discipling environment.** It is ultimately the answer to every problem and the motivation to submit every area of life to the Lordship of Jesus. Or in other words, it’s the motivation to apply the gospel to every area of life. As the gospel seeps into every crack and crevice of our lives, we walk more and more in submission to Jesus, for our good and his glory.
3. **Discipleship happens in community on mission together.** Character qualities like love, compassion, servanthood, sacrifice, and generosity are more likely to be integrated into a person’s life, as they enter into the lives of others and frequently demonstrate the above qualities in the context of those relationships. Spiritual growth is often more significant, when people serve in community outside the church family, and serve people who are desperately needy. Get out there!

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

- [What You Need to Stop Doing to Make More Disciples](#)

Thanks for listening... we’ll see you in the next episode!

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