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TITLE: Holistic Discipleship: The Gospel In Everything

We learn from the teaching and experiences Jesus had with his disciples that he was committed to developing them holistically; he desired to bring every area of their lives under his Kingdom rule and reign. He commanded *us* to do that, with his Spirit, as he goes with us.

Here are three things to believe and consider about having much more holistic discipleship...

- 1. Discipleship involves caring for the whole life of a person. Every part of our life needs the gospel, not just the "spiritual" things like Bible study, prayer and sin issues. How we steward our time, money, relationships, entertainment, our bodies, etc. must all be transformed by the gospel for God's glory.
- 2. Do you love people enough to be concerned with and disciple them in a truly holistic way?

 Often, we can find that the time required or the level of intentionality needed to disciple people in a holistic way becomes overwhelming. Or our need for everyone's approval prevents us from addressing "all of life" with the gospel, fearing their rejection. But the thing behind the thing in each of these is really a "love" issue. We love ourselves, our time, our reputation, more than we love people and God's glory in their lives. Let God change that in you.
- 3. Ask yourself: What areas of discipleship and "all of life" care do we need to give greater attention in our church or missional community? How can you begin to disciple one another more holistically? People are waiting for someone to bring the Good News to *more* of their life, today, now. Will you be the one who will love them enough to do this? Ask the Holy Spirit, "What's next?" with each person you're discipling in community, and then trust God for that next small step.

The 7 Treasures

- 1. Spiritual
- 2. Emotional
- 3. Relational (Family & Friends)
- 4. Physical
- 5. Experiential
- 6. Intellectual
- 7. Financial

Also: If you're interested in learning a full framework for discipleship and mission, I'd like to invite you to join Tina and me in an upcoming coaching cohort. Let's set up a short Zoom call to get to know each other better and I'll tell you all about it and answer any questions you have.

~Caesar

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

~Caesar