

# Disciple Making in Student Ministry

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Here's what we know: **Jesus said to Make Disciples** in Matthew 28.

## **Disciple making should be simple.**

There are 1,000 different models of discipleship because Jesus made it so simple.

We're the ones who've made it complicated.

Our Disciple Making Strategy should be **simple, memorable, and reproducible.**

## **Why else we should make disciple:**

The condition of our country is 7 - 9% who believe the Gospel. (Get more stats from GER)

316 million Americans. 22 Americans are evangelical (NY). 294 Americans.

70% of our students will leave the faith.

Americans are getting fired, arrested, and expelled for their faith.

Two words today's culture uses to describe Christians - anti-abortionists and homophobes.

## **What Student Ministry has been doing has not been working.**

If we keep doing what we've been doing, we'll keep getting what we've been getting.

The church has never been so good at huge services and conferences but we've never had weaker Christians.

Its almost like we're not doing something that Jesus asked us to do.

We've been focusing on ministries which are where people come, sing, sit, learn, listen, and leave. The ministry win is attendance and invites.

We need to focus on both ministries and movements. Movements are when people leave they make disciples, share the Gospel, and live on mission.

## **Robby Gallaty's arguments of the disciples being teenagers.**

"Rediscovering Discipleship" by Robby Gallaty chapter 4.

Jesus may very well have been a Youth Pastor.

Jesus may have chosen teenagers to be His disciples because He wanted to start a movement and not have just a ministry.

**I believe Disciple Making is the missing element.**

Worship Services and Small Groups are only two legs to the stool. No stool can stand on two legs alone.

We must have a third leg on the stool for it to be study and stand: Disciple Making!

Our Disciple Making Pathway is: Worship Services → Small Groups → Disciple Making Groups → Missional Living

Wesley vs. Whitfield (in “Rediscovering Discipleship” by Robby Gallaty)

**I believe discipleship should be so simple that even a Christian can do it!** Discipleship should be so reproducible that any disciple can do it.

**The 2 biggest reasons that people don't disciple:**

1. They've never been disciplined.
2. They don't know how. (Today: Discipleship is inconvenient)

**We need to simplify disciple making so that we can send out our students to make disciples!**

**The win in Disciple Making is disciples who can make more disciples.**

**Luke 24 is the expansion of Jesus' Great Commission. Here's where He gave us the strategy to make disciples:**

Bible (Luke 24:44)

Gospel (Luke 24:45-46)

Disciple (Luke 24:47)

**Jesus poured His life into His 3 for 12-18 months.**

**We aren't disciple makers unless our disciples are making disciples.**

We disciple them with multiplication in mind, not just maturity. If we disciple to only mature them, they may not make more disciples. But if we disciple them to make more disciples, then we are maturing them.

**Testimonies from both students and leaders when making more disciples.**

## **Question and Answer on Disciple Making**

**Why and how we track disciple making groups.**