



Sermon notes

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Our Win — Justin Ross — Pastor

Matthew 28:19

Success = Disciples of Jesus who make other disciples of Jesus.

"A ministry's success should be judged, not by its size, but by how well it raises up disciples who raise up more disciples."

~ Pastor J.D. Greear

1. What is "making disciples?" How does it work?

- Teach others to read and study the Bible.
- Show others how to pray. Be available.
- Encourage people to share their faith stories...etc.
- Making disciples does not require years of training.

2. If a ministry doesn't make disciples, why does it exist?

- Are the kids and student ministries making disciples?
- Are small groups making disciples?

- Is "LoveThis.Town" making disciples?
- Is my preaching making disciples?

3. Every Christian is "born again" to reproduce.

- If we're not producing fruit we need to check our connection to the vine. — John 15:1-16.
- Discipleship only happens in relationships.
- You are God's plan for discipleship.

4. Full of excuses:

- "I don't have what it takes." — Yes you do—Luke 12:12.
- "It's not my gift." — We've all been called—Matt. 28:19.
- "I'm a silent witness. I witness with my life." — Yes, but words are also required.
- "I don't have time." — Be *with* people.
- "Sharing my faith is uncomfortable." — Yep, it's worth a little discomfort

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