

- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.
- 2) What is a disciple? What does it mean to be a disciple-maker?
- 3) Read Matthew 28:18-20 together.
- 4) What stuck out to you as you read? Is there anything you don't understand? Is there anything you'd like to discuss?
- 5) What are the things that Jesus commanded in this passage? List all the different aspects.
- 6) Oftentimes when people read the verses above (known as the Great Commission) they leave out verse 18 and only read verses 19-20. What is the significance of verse 18?
- 7) As a group, respond to this quotation from Leon Morris:

"In this Gospel a disciple is both a learner and a follower; a disciple takes Jesus as his teacher and learns from him, and a disciple also follows Jesus. The life of a disciple is different because of his attachment to Jesus. The Master is not giving a command that will merely secure nominal adherence to a group, but one that will secure wholehearted commitment to a person."¹

- 8) When someone becomes a disciple, then Jesus says they should be baptized. Why were new disciples baptized? What does baptism mean? Why is it important for a new follower of Jesus to be baptized?
- 9) When new disciples are baptized, they should be baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—the Trinity. Why is this significant?
- 10) After baptizing new disciples, then Jesus says they should be taught to observe everything that Jesus has commanded. Notice that we need to do two things. We need to *know* Jesus' teachings, and we need to *observe* Jesus' teachings. Does this describe your life?

- 11) Finally, Jesus tells his followers that He will be with them until the end of the age. How is Jesus with us in the day-to-day of life? How do you feel God active in your life?
- 12) End your time in prayer. Ask the Holy Spirit to help apply to your life what you've been learning and discussing