

3 ATTITUDES OF EFFECTIVE DISCIPLE MAKERS

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- HOW MANY KNOWS THAT GOD WANTS OUR LIVES **TO BE EFFECTIVE.....(TO BE POTENT, TO BE FRUITFUL)** FOR THE KINGDOM?
 - For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 PETER 1:8
- THE ENEMY LOVES IT TO KEEP CHRISTIANS TO BE **INEFFECTIVE**.
 - TO HAVE THE POWER, BUT NEVER LIVE IN THEM.
 - TO HAVE THE ANOINTING OF FREEDOM, BUT HAVE ZERO IMPACT TO THE PEOPLE SURROUNDING THEM.
 - TO HAVE THE SALVATION OF THE GOSPEL, BUT NEVER SAVE ANYONE.
 - TO HAVE THE LIGHT, BUT NEVER SHOW THE WAY .
- BUT MY HEART IS JUST SO EXCITED TO IMAGINE.....**WHAT IF...?**
 - WHAT IF THERE IS A CHURCH WHO UNDERSTAND THAT THEY ARE NOT WHERE THEY ARE COINCIDENTALLY.
 - THAT THEY ARE **SENT** BY GOD FOR A PURPOSE.
 - THAT THEY ARE **MADE BY GOD'S OWN HAND** FOR HIS GOOD WORKS.
 - THAT YOU HAVE BEEN **SET FREE** SO YOU CAN SET A GENERATION NEXT TO YOU FREE.
 - THAT YOU ARE **CALLED** TO SAVE SOULS AND MAKE DISCIPLES.
- NOW TONIGHT I'M GOING TO SHARE THE **3 ATTITUDES** THAT YOU MUST HAVE THAT WILL MAKE YOU AN EFFECTIVE DISCIPLE.
 - HOW MANY OF YOU WANTS TO BE EFFECTIVE FOR HIS KINGDOM?

1. PUT ON HUMILITY

- **HUMILITY - A PERSON WHO'S WILLING TO PUT ON AN ATTITUDE OF A SERVANT AND DO THE TASK OF A SERVANT**
- 1. **HUMILITY IS AN ATTITUDE YOU NEED TO "PUT ON"**
 - **Colossians 3:12** - Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.
 - **Philippians 2: 5-11** - Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.
 - **HUMILITY DOESN'T COME NATURALLY, YOU'VE GOT TO "PUT ON" HUMILITY EVERYDAY.**
 - WHEN PEOPLE TALK ABOUT YOU BEHIND YOUR BACK,
 - ◆ YOU CAN EITHER PUT REVENGE OR HUMILITY.
 - WHEN YOUR LEADER FORGOT ABOUT WHAT YOU'VE DONE FOR THE MINISTRY,
 - ◆ YOU CAN EITHER PUT BITTERNESS OR HUMILITY.
 - WHEN YOUR CONNECT MEMBERS HURT YOU,
 - ◆ YOU CAN EITHER GIVE UP OR PUT ON HUMILITY.
 - **HUMILITY DOESN'T MAKE YOU ANY LOWER/LESSER/LESS WORTHIER THAN OTHERS.**
 - YOU ARE STILL THE SON OF THE KING, BUT YOU CHOOSE TO PUT ON HUMILITY.
 - WHY?
 - BECAUSE JESUS HE IS A KING, BUT HE DID NOT COUNT HIS EQUALITY WITH GOD, AND HE MADE HIMSELF NOTHING, TAKING A FORM OF A SERVANT, HE PUT ON HUMILITY TO SERVE YOU, TO SAVE YOU.
 - NOW IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO DO THE SAME FOR OTHERS.
- 2. **HUMILITY ALWAYS WINS.**
 - **1 Corinthians 9:19-23** Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, **to win as many as possible.**
 - **YOU CAN ONLY BE AS EFFECTIVE IN WINNING PEOPLE, AS FAR AS YOUR HUMILITY CAN TAKE YOU — PS ROY**
 - — MY STORY —
 - 'I'M SORRY, ITS MY FAULT, I TAKE ALL THE BLAME'
 - YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED? HE SAID 'NOOOO KOODOO, IM THE ONE WHO'S WRONG, I'M SORRY'
 - IT MAY HURT MY EGO, BUT IT SAVES HIS SOULS.
 - HUMILITY IS LIKE SAYING 'MY EGO IS WORTH NOTHING, I WILL HAPPILY PUT MY EGO ON THE ALTAR SO I CAN SAVE HIM.
- 3. **HUMILITY KEEPS YOUR VICTORY**
 - **Proverbs 16:18** Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.
 - **DESTRUCTION ALWAYS HIDES BEHIND PRIDE.**
 - YOUR STORY - "**WE ARE JUST UNWORTHY SERVANT**"
 - GROWING UP, 'I'VE SEEN SO MANY PEOPLE BEING USED BY GOD,
 - BUT THEIR PRIDE STOLE THEIR VICTORY.
 - THEY LEFT THEIR WIFE.
 - THEY LEFT THEIR KIDS.
 - WHY? BECAUSE PRIDE GETS IN THE WAY.
 - AND THE BIBLE SAYS PRIDE ALWAAAYS GOES BEFORE DESTRUCTION.
 - SO GOD GAVE ME THIS VERSE AND I PRINTED IT AND PUT IT ON MY FIRST BIBLE.
 - **Luke 17:10** So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.'
 - NOW I DON'T HAVE THAT BIBLE ANYMORE.
 - BUT THAT VERSE IS ALREADY PRINTED IN MY HEART.
 - "**JUST DOING OUR JOB**"
 - WHEN THE SPIRIT OF ENTITLEMENT COMES IN... "**JUST DOING OUR JOB**"
 - WHEN OUR PRIDE COMES IN... "**JUST DOING OUR JOB**"
 - WHEN PEOPLE CAME TO YOU AND SAY MAAAN YOU'RE AMAZING....
 - "**WE'RE JUST UNWORTHY SERVANT, WE'RE JUST DOING OUR JOB, I'M JUST GLAD THAT GOD WANTS TO USE ME**"
 - **GOD WILL EXALT THE HUMBLE AND REJECTS THE PROUD**
 - The higher God takes you the lower we must become

PUT OOOOONNNN HUMILITY!

2. HAVE AN UNBREAKABLE POSITIVE ATTITUDE

- THE SECOND ATTITUDE OF EFFECTIVE DISCIPLE MAKERS IS A **POSITIVE ATTITUDE**
- APOSTLE PAUL IS ONE OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE DISCIPLE MAKERS. ONE OF THE STRONGEST ATTITUDE THAT HE HAS IS..... **HE HAS THIS.....UNBREAKABLE POSITIVE ATTITUDE.**
 - Even after being whipped (39 times), beaten by the rod (three times), stoned (once), shipwrecked, and being imprisoned Paul WROTE THIS VERSE:
 - **Phil.4:4 — Rejoice in the Lord always.Again I will say, rejoice!**
 - HE WROTE MOST OF HIS MOST ENCOURAGING WRITING FROM **INSIDE HIS DARKEST CELL.**
 - HE CHOSE TO WORSHIP AND BROKE OPEN HIS PRISON DOORS....FROM **INSIDE HIS DIFFICULT TIME**
 - Paul's attitude was ALWAYS positive - I RECKON **THIS IS THE HIGHEST HEART ATTITUDES you can have**
 - **WHEN PEOPLE REJECTED YOUR INVITATION.... YOU DON'T GIVE UP.**
 - **WHEN PEOPLE TALKED TO YOU BEHIND YOUR BACK.... YOU GET BACK UP AGAIN.**
 - **WHEN YOUR MEMBERS DON'T WANT TO COME TO CONNECT GROUP.... YOU JUST NEVER NEVER NEVER GIVE UP!**
 - BECAUSE IT'S HARD TO KNOCK DOWN A DISCIPLE WHO DOESN'T WANT TO GIVE UP!
- 1. **POSITIVE ATTITUDE MUST BE....DEVELOPED**
 - "IM JUST NOT THAT POSITIVE, PASTOR"
 - "MY PARENTS ARE ALWAYS NEGATIVE."
 - "SO IM LIKE THIS BECAUSE ITS IN MY NATURE."
 - OUR OLD WORLDLY NATURE IS ALWAYS NEGATIVE, EASILY GIVING UP.
 - BUT JESUS SAYS **Romans 12:2** — Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.
- 2. **A POSITIVE CHRISTIAN MAKES A GREAT LEADER OF GOD'S PEOPLE!**
 - YOU WILL NEVER SEE NEGATIVE LEADERS SUCCESSFUL.
 - BECAUSE YOU CAN NEVER LEAD FROM POINT OF NEGATIVITY.
 - A 'NEGATIVE LENS' WILL DRAIN YOU OFF ANY DREAMS, VISION AND POWER IN YOUR LIFE.
 - YOU WILL LET FEAR, DOUBT, AND DISCOURAGEMENT LEAD, INSTEAD OF BEING LED BY FAITH.
 - WHY?
 - BECAUSE POSITIVE PEOPLE ALWAYS HAVE "EXTRA" PROBLEM-SOLVING POWER.
 - BECAUSE PEOPLE LOVE TO HANG AROUND WITH POSITIVE PEOPLE.
 - IT'S CONTAGIOUS. IT'S A CONDUCTIVE SOIL FOR FAITH.
 - The world is hungry for positive attitudes.
 - So make up your mind today to be a POSITIVE CHRISTIANS.
 - Be a FAITH-FILLED LEADER.
- 3. **A POSITIVE ATTITUDE IS LIKE A MAGNET FOR BLESSING.**
 - Confess Daily "I am not anxious about anything, I am full of confidence of everything."
 - Confess Daily "I am not fearful of anything, I'm full of faith for everything."
 - Confess Daily "I am not depressed about my life, I'm excited about my life!"
 - Confess Daily "I am called by God to be a leader, and my small cell group is growing for the glory of God!"
 - I BELIEVE IN YOUR WORD.....IT IS YES AND AMEN.
 - YOUR WORD SHALL COME TO PASS.
 - I RECEIVE IT AND I CLAIM THEM..... IN JESUS NAME, WE WILL HOLD ONTO YOUR PROMISE.

3. BUILD A GOOD REPUTATION

- **Acts 6:3** — Therefore brethren, seek out from among you seven men of **good reputation**, in choosing deacons for the church.
- A small group leader should be a Christian who has a clear, visible, powerful testimony of what God has done for them.
- **NOT "PERFECT"** but FAITHFUL In his progress - there must be a proven track record in his or her character.
- **The cornerstone of character is faithfulness: to be reliable, dependable and trustworthy.**
- 1 TIMOTHY 3
 - Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task. **2** Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife, temperate, self-controlled, gentle, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, **3** not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. **4** He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him, and he must do so in a manner worthy of full respect. **5** (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?) **6** He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. **7** He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap.
- **A leader must have built A GOOD REPUTATION IN 4 THINGS:**
 1. **FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS** - Is the marriage strong? Is he/she respected by their children? **If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?**
 2. **CHURCH MINISTRY** - how he/she treats THEIR members, is he / she honouring with other leaders, HOW HE / SHE TREATS THEIR SENIOR LEADERSHIP.
 - If you are always TALKING down your pastors and leaders, OTHER PASTORS AND OTHER LEADERS, YOU WILL NOT BE AN EFFECTIVE DISCIPLE MAKERS!
 - YOU CAN NEVER BIRTH HONOUR OUT OF BITTERNESS.
 - SO IF YOU KEEP TALKING NEGATIVE ABOUT OTHER PASTORS, OTHER CHURCHES, OTHER LEADERS, REPENT RIGHT NOW.
 - Respect can't really be mandated. Respect must be earned.
 - Leaders with a strong, proven reputation will definitely win the RESPECT of the people!
 3. **MARKETPLACE**
 - What is the reputation of the person at the workplace? UNIVERSITY?
 - ARE YOU ALWAYS LATE? FAILING IN YOUR SUBJECTS?
 - SLACKING OFF? NOT EXCELLENCE IN YOUR WORK?
 - I'M NOT SAYING PERFECT SCORE.
 - I'M SAYING EXCELLENCE.
 4. **FINANCE** - A leader who can't manage his or her own personal money can never help the members to walk in financial victory.
So when selecting leaders, we ask:
 - Is the person constantly in debt?
 - Is the person providing for the family?
 - Is the person faithful in tithing?
 - Is the person generous in offering and other giving?

DISCUSSION GUIDELINE:

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- For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 PETER 1:8
- **FOR AN EFFECTIVE DISCIPLE MAKERS, WE NEED TO BUILD 3 OF THESE WINNING ATTITUDE.**
 1. **PUT ON HUMILITY**
 2. **HAVE AN UNBREAKABLE POSITIVE ATTITUDE**
 3. **BUILD A GOOD REPUTATION**
- **WHICH AREA DO YOU NEED TO WORK ON IN YOUR LIFE?**
- **WHAT PRACTICAL STEPS WILL YOU DO TO INCREASE YOUR EFFECTIVENESS IN THE KINGDOM?**