

Ministry Morning - One to One discipleship

How do we do them?

1. *Who should be doing them?*

- All Those who love Jesus

- Nature of Discipleship

2. *Who with, who should we be meeting up with?*

Spiritually hungry (people of peace)

Helms:

	Need	Who
Non- Christian	Salvation	
New Christian	sanctification, growth, discipling	
Established Christian	Training - specific need, area	
Crisis Christian	Care, assurance, love	

Things to bear in mind:

Pray first -

God's timing is always perfect -

Choose someone who desires to grow -

Create Hunger

Remember the ones other forget -

Same GENDER

Age

BUT WHAT DO I ACTUALLY DO? WHAT IS INVOLVED?

First steps:

1. UNDERSTAND

Two particularly helpful questions are :

1. If God were here, and you could ask him any question (and you knew that would give you a straight answer) what would you ask?

2. Suppose later on today you are crossing a road and you get hit by the number 17 bus, and you die. (sorry about that but just imagine) and you meet God, and he asks you, "Why should I let you into heaven?" What would you say? –

What other questions might you ask?

BE careful because some people aren't good at explaining but they may in fact be a Christian

- Be Careful of tone of voice not reacting badly
- Be careful to not seem to be making judgments
- Be prepared to revise your diagnosis -
- Beware of pride -
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***Bear in mind - Keller's three types of people
(What is their worldview? How do they understand, see the world?)***

1. Religious,

2. Irreligious

3. Christian -

2. Read and study the bible!!

Why the bible -

1. We want them to be confronted with Jesus as He is revealed in His word
2. We want people to grapple with God, not our thinking and arguments
3. Because we believe it is the word of God by the Spirit of God that does the work of God
4. That we have a God who has been revealed and does speak -

4 main questions - COMA

CONTEXT - *questions of the text - What is happening around it?*

- What sort of writing is this? (A letter, a narrative, a poem)
- Are there any clues about the circumstances under which it is written?
- Where, when does it all take place?
- What do we learn about the author, the recipients
- What has happened so far?

OBSERVATION - *questions of the text - What does it say?*

- What are the key words?
- Are there any repeated ideas, words?
- Are there any major sub-sections or breaks in the text?
- What surprises you?
- Who are the characters, what do we learn about them?
- What words are unfamiliar or ideas are hard to understand?

MEANING - *questions of the text - What does it mean?*

- What is the argument/ logical progression?
- What seems to be the big idea?
- Why is this passage here at this point?
- What biblical theme are being dealt with? (sin, grace)
- How does this passage relate to Jesus?
- How does this text relate to other parts of the book?
- How could you sum up the meaning of this passage in our own words?

APPLICATION - *questions of the text - How does it apply?*

- Is there a straight application in the passage?
- Explicit command
- reveal God's character and purposes - how are we to respond?
- How does this passage challenge (or confirm) my understanding?
- Is there some attitude I need to change?

- How does this passage call on me to change the way I live
 - application is going to vary slightly depending on where they are - (religious or irreligious)
- Try and tie it to their thinking - how does this fit with your view of God?
If Jesus is saying this - can this be true?
How does this differ from your thinking on suffering, what is good about this compared to yours what is harder?

Tackle the HEART -

X-Ray questions - some suggestions:.....

- What do you love? hate?
- What do you want, desire, crave, lust and wish for? What desires do you serve and obey?
- What do you seek, aim for and pursue? What are your goals and expectations?
- What do you fear? What do you not want?
- Where do you find refuge, safety, comfort, escape, pleasure, security?
- Whom must you please? Whose opinion counts?
- What do you see as your rights?
- What would bring you the greatest pleasure, happiness and delight?
- What do you pray for?

Other questions you might like to ask: (Taken from Keller)

- What does this text show me about God for which I should praise or thank him?
- What does this text show me about sin?
- What does the text show me about a need that I have?
- What does the text show me about a need the world has?
- What do I need to do or become in light of this?
- How shall I petition God for it?
- How is Jesus or the grace that I have in him crucial to helping me overcome sin or answering the need I have?

All the time I want to be modelling how to read the bible so that they can do it themselves ultimately

***Pray together about what you have learned - MODELLING TO THEM
PRAYER***

BEAR IN MIND!!

What are some of the areas you are going to want to challenge and think about? Key doctrines?

S_____ Mark 2:1-12; 7:1-23; Eph 2:1-3, Lk 15:11-24

The C_____ : Mark 14:26; 15:33-39; Romans 3:21-26; Colossians 1:20-22; 2 Cor 5:21

S_____ : 2 Tim 3:15,16; 2 Peter 1:19-21

G_____ Eph 2:4-10; Titus 3:3-5, Matt 20:1-16; Lk 18:9-14

R_____ : Mark 1:14-15; 8:34-38

F_____ : Mark 5:21-43; Lk 7:1-10

J_____ : Hebrews 9:27; 2 Cor 5:10; Mark 9:42-50; 1 Thess 5:1-11; Jn 5:22-23

J_____ R_____ : Mark 8:38; 1 Thess 4:13-18

Other areas to consider - talking about, teaching on..

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Practicalities:

- NEVER mixed!
- Prep
- Prayer
- Don't get hung up trying to work out what part of the bible to study
- Friendship
- Be yourself
- Pray together
- Time - depends?
- Venue
- How many?
- Don't stress no show

COMMENTS? Questions

Potential Dangers:

Intensity

Control

Legalism

Over-dependence

Pride

Isolation

Final tips:

Enjoy!

Don't Be:

- Embarrassed
- Too intense/ heavy
- Afraid to ask for help

Don't Forget

- The Gospel
- To Pray
- The results are down to God – both when things go well and when they don't