

The Look of a Disciple

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Summary

This video discusses three key attributes that leaders should look for in their students to assess if they successfully create a disciple-making environment. These attributes are: 1) a real devotional life, where students have a vibrant relationship with Jesus through practices like prayer, Bible reading, and worship; 2) real community, where students have meaningful relationships with leaders and peers that support their spiritual growth; and 3) real responsibility to the mission, where students take ownership of the church's mission by serving, leading, inviting others, sharing the gospel, and having a heart for missions. The article provides practical tips for leaders to help students develop these attributes.

Main Points

#1 - Real Devotional Life

This point emphasizes the importance of students' vibrant relationship with Jesus through practices like prayer, Bible reading, journaling, and worship. It suggests that leaders should lovingly but firmly encourage students to develop these habits, provide goals and challenges like the '10 and 10' (10 minutes in the Word and 10 minutes in prayer daily), and teach them practical methods like the SOAP journaling technique.

#2 - Real Community

This point highlights the significance of a student's meaningful relationships with leaders and peers supporting their spiritual growth. It draws an analogy from John 15, where Jesus compares disciples to branches connected to the vine, emphasizing the interdependence and nourishment that comes from

community. Leaders are encouraged to build relational bridges with students and create opportunities for students to connect.

#3 - Real Responsibility in the Mission

This chapter focuses on students taking ownership of the church's mission by serving in various ministries, leading and influencing their peers, inviting friends to church and youth ministry, sharing the gospel, and having a heart for local and global missions. It emphasizes that true discipleship involves bearing fruit and contributing to the Great Commission.

Next Steps

- Give students goals and challenges for their devotional lives, such as reading Bible plans together or setting a '10 and 10' goal (10 minutes in the Word and 10 minutes in prayer daily).
- Teach students practical methods for developing a devotional life, such as using the SOAP journaling technique (Scripture, Observation, Application, Prayer).
- Build relational bridges with students and create opportunities for students to connect with one another and with godly adult leaders.
- Encourage students to serve in various ministries within the church, such as youth ministry, kids ministry, worship, or media.
- Provide opportunities for students to take on leadership roles and influence their peers.
- Encourage students to invite their friends to church and youth ministry events.
- Equip students to share the gospel with their friends.
- Foster a heart for local and global missions among students.