

IDENTITY **before** **ACTION**

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SESSION 01 - WHAT IS A DISCIPLE?

GOAL: Clearly articulate the DNA of a disciple and explain that identity precedes activity.

READ & RETELL: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

DISCUSS:

Who is God as revealed in this passage?

Who are you?

What are our responsibilities as revealed in this passage?

This is something we are and do as a community. Who are “we”?

In light of all of these things, why are you here? Why doesn't God just bring us home the moment we come to faith?

TOOL: DNA Triangle

CONTINUE DISCUSSION:

Can you articulate who God is and what the gospel is?

If not, go through Discovering God's Good News with the DBS.

Do you feel like you know who you are in Christ and can articulate those truths to others?

If not, go through Discovering Identity with the DBS.

Do you feel like you understand the nature and importance of the church and can articulate those truths to others?

If not, go through Discovering Church with the DBS.

Do you know why you are here and what God wants you to do with your life?

If not, go through Discovering Purpose with the DBS.

DNA of a DISCIPLE MAKER

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This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a **new person**. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

And all of this is a gift from God, who **brought us back to himself** through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people’s sins against them. And he **gave us** this wonderful message of reconciliation. So we are **Christ’s ambassadors**; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, “Come back to God!” For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.

- 2 Corinthians 5:17-20

Every disciple maker should be able to answer these 4 questions.

- Who am I?
- Who is God?
- Who is God’s Family?
- Why am I Here?

**CHILD
of GOD v.18**



**AMBASSADOR
of GOD v.20**

**FAMILY
of GOD v.19**

When our IDENTITY changes, so do our ACTIONS.

As a new creation, we have the DNA of Jesus and Jesus acts out what it looks like to be a disciple maker. Mark 1:35-39