



DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

**Part IV: Disciple's Mission**

**Establishing Spiritual Children**

CBCWLA , October 23, 2011

# Calling Disciple Makers

- **Job description**

- Establish one new Christian into the disciple of Christ in 2012.
  - Pray to God to give you a spiritual child to nurture in the year of 2012
  - Keep in touch with this person every week for at least 3 months. Encourage him/her to stay in God's grace.
  - Help this person to establish the spiritual disciplines that's characteristic of a disciple: Worship, Bible reading, prayer, fellowship, witnessing, etc.

- **Qualification**

- A practicing disciple of Christ

# Commissioning Day

- The Disciple Makers will be commissioned at a Sunday service this year.
- Please be responsive to this calling.
- Those who are willing to be a Disciple Maker please respond to Pastor Wang by 11/20.

# Mark your calendar

- November 20, class time: Spiritual Gifts Workshop and Final Exam.
- November 27, 11:00 AM: Graduation Celebration at the Dining Room, a joint session (morning class + afternoon class.)

# Evangelism Report

- What: to share the gospel of Jesus with an unbeliever.
- When: by Nov. 20
- Turn in a one-page evangelism report by Nov. 20.

# Christian Discipleship

- **Christian discipleship is**
  - 1. developing a personal, lifelong, obedient relationship with Jesus Christ in which he transforms your character into Christlikeness;**
  - 2. changes your value into Kingdom values;**
  - 3. and involves you in his mission in the home, the church, and the world.**

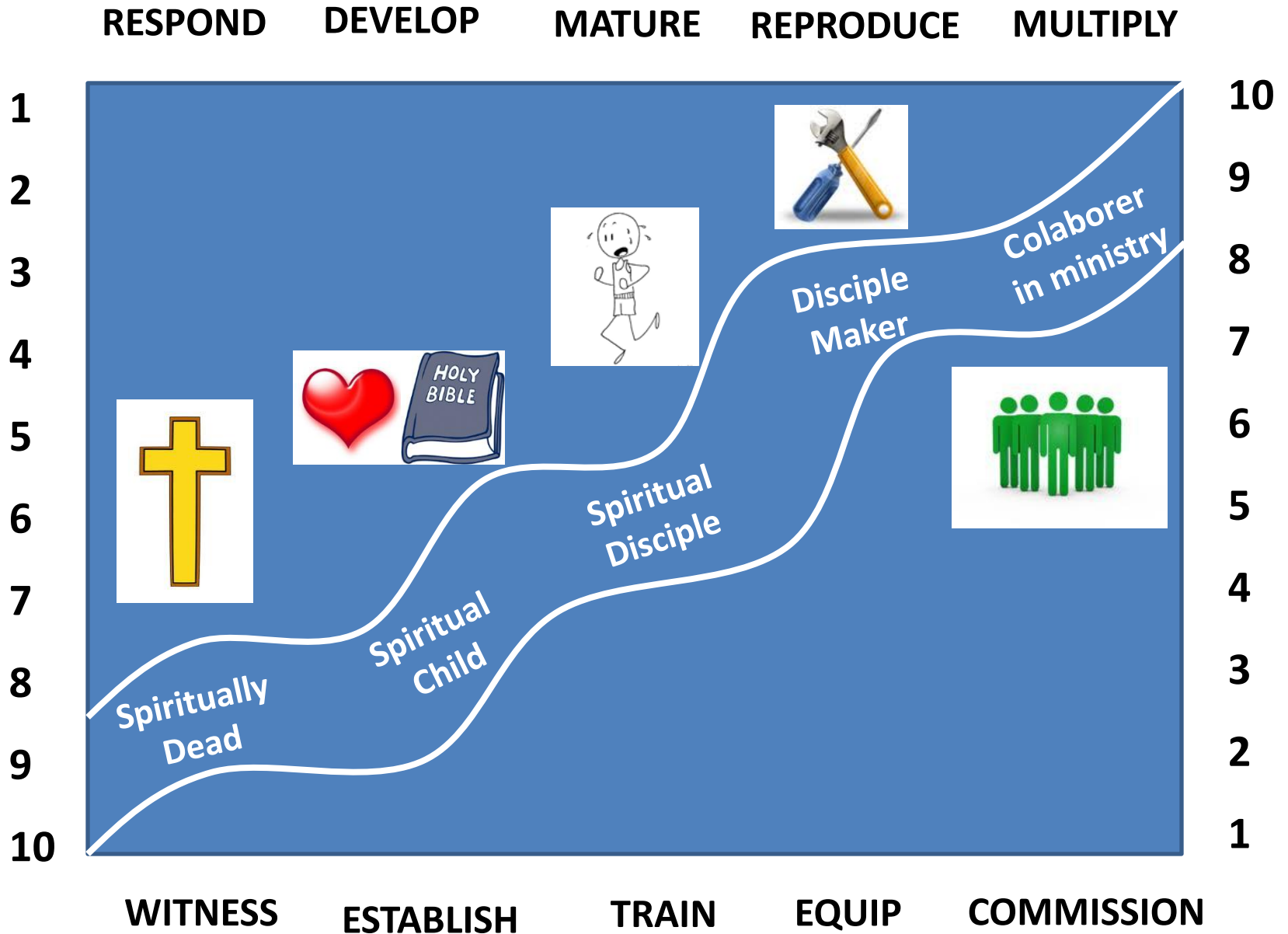
- **A disciple's mission is to—**
  - **Glorify God by being a lifelong, obedient disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ;**
  - **Glorify God by making disciples of all nations;**
  - **Join God's mission to—**
    - **Exalt Christ as Lord;**
    - **Reconcile the world to himself;**
    - **Establish his kingdom.**

# The Disciple's Mission

- Week 1: Righting Wrong Relationship
- Week 2: Witnessing and Discipling through Relationships
- **Week 3: Establishing Spiritual Children**
- Week 4: Maturing as a Disciple
- Week 5: Training Disciples
- Week 6: Ministering as Colaborers



# MASTER BUILDER



# The Great Commission

- Jesus said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.” *Matthew 28: 19-20*
- **The Mission:** to make disciples of all nations by
  1. Going
  2. Baptizing
  3. Teaching

- **Going**

- The word *go* in the Great Commission is a participle. Literally, it means *as you go, make disciples of all nations*. Make disciples comes from a word that means to make learners or to turn into disciples. This suggests a process rather than an instant occurrence.

- **Baptizing**

- speaks of an open commitment in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit- the one God who revealed himself in the three personal aspects.

- **Teaching to observe**

- Can also be translated *teaching to obey, guard, and to keep inviolate*. It communicates that discipling is not finished until the disciples are actually doing Christ's commands.

# True Evangelism

- “Evangelism is more than winning a person to Christ. It does not end with conversion any more than a full life ends with birth. It is only the beginning.” *Herschel Hobbs, Baptist pastor and scholar*

# Be an encourager

- Encouraging new Christians is an important way you can nurture new believers.
- You can encourage new Christians by
  - Reminding them of God's truth,
  - And by urging them to remain true to it.
  - Sometimes just a reminder from an experienced Christian of God's grace and provision is the encouraging nudge a new Christian needs.

# Guidelines for follow up

## 1. Tell the person why.

- Telling a person why you are giving him training in discipleship is important. Tell the new believer why he needs to be baptized, study the Bible, attend worship...

## 2. Show the person how.

- Tell him how to read the Bible, how to pray, how to overcome temptation... You may use what you have learned in Masterlife to teach him.

### **3. Get the person started.**

- Move him from the information stage to the action stage. Get him started on reading the Bible, attending worship...

### **4. Keep the person going.**

- It's easier to get people started than to keep them going. Meet with him or call him weekly. Keep in touch with him for at least six weeks.

### **5. Help the person reproduce his/her faith.**

- Teach the person how to share with someone else what you have shared with him/her. Encourage the new Christian to share whatever you have taught him.



# Follow up tools

## 1. Welcome to God's family

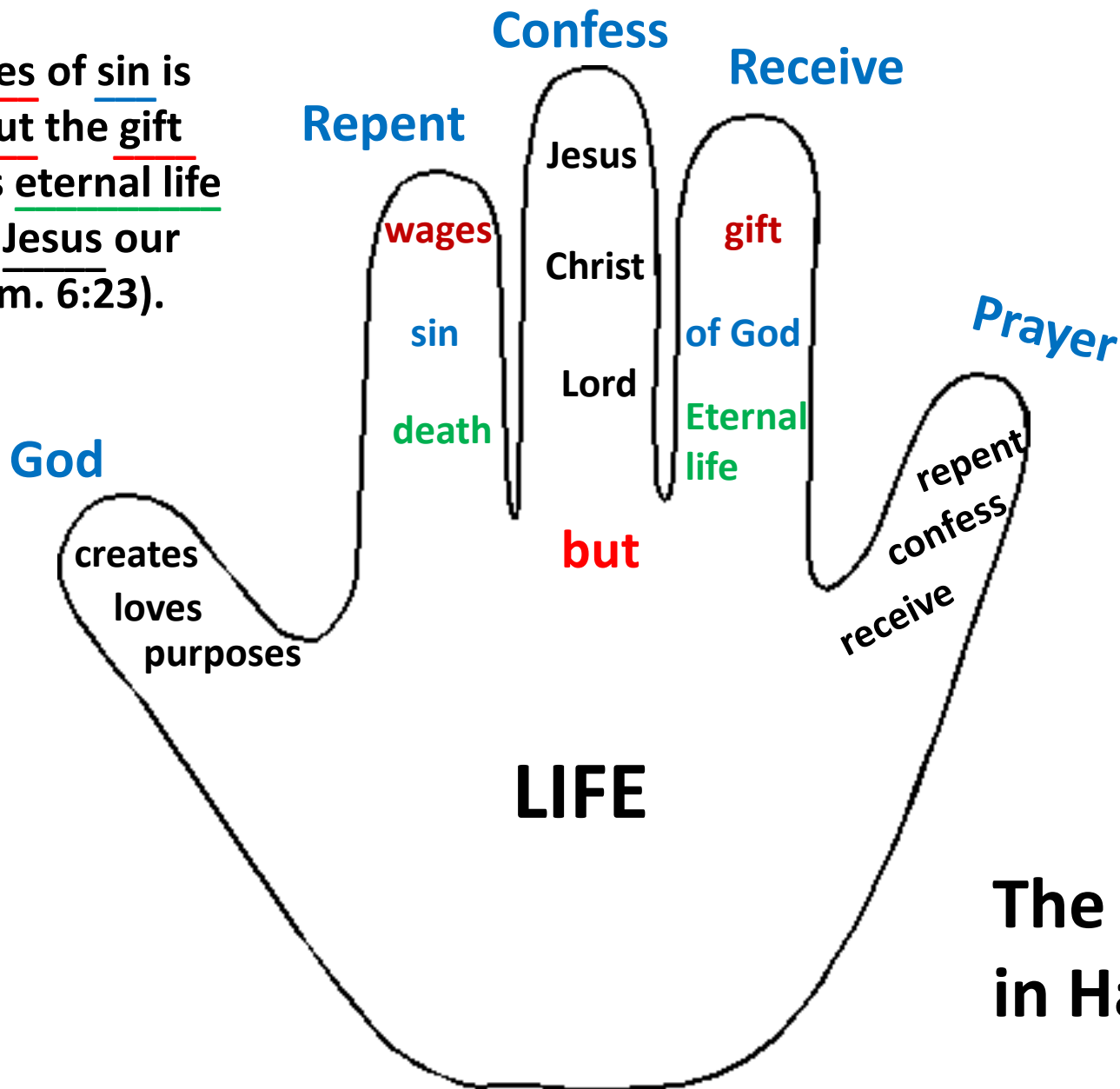
- This is a tract for new believers.

## 2. Survival Kit ( 存活寶鑑 )

- A book, for new believers. Lifeway, \$4.85
- 存活寶鑑I ( 初信者成長指南 ) , 香港浸信會出版社

## 3. The MasterLife

The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord (Rom. 6:23).



**The Gospel  
in Hand**

# Next week's assignment

- **Complete all items in “My walk with the Master this week.”**
  - Spend meaningful time with a family member or a friend.
  - Use the money your leader give you to minister to someone in Jesus' name.
  - Explain the Gospel in Hand presentation to a lost person.

# Small Group Time

1. Check each other's "my walk with the Master this week."
2. Quote from memory the definition of "Christian Discipleship."
3. Share ways you can help nurture a spiritual child. Share how you get nurtured when you were a new Christian.
4. Get into pairs and explain to each other your understanding of "Gospel in Hand."
5. Tell each other the five guidelines for following up a new believers.
6. Pray.