

Week 7: Discipleship Phase 5: Share About Me

Phase Five of Jesus' discipleship ministry could be described as: **Remain in me & Go preach the good news.** In **Phase Five** Jesus challenged his disciples to *remain in him*, to *bear fruit* and to *go into the world* and _____ the gospel with everyone. The mission was to teach everyone, everywhere about the truth about Christ.

This **Share About Me** stage informally began with several short term evangelical trips to nearby towns in **Matthew 10** and **Luke 10** and formally began at the **great commission & ascension**.

This Share About Me stage is highlighted in the mid to late portions of all four gospels, primarily in; Matthew 10:1-42, 28:16-20, Luke 10:1-24, 21:13-19, 24:44-49, John 15:1-27, 20:19-23, Mark 6:6-12, 16:14-18 (Acts/Epistles: Acts 1:8, 2 Cor 5:11-15, 2 Cor 5:18-20, 2 Timothy 2:1-2)

The major emphasis by Jesus (and Paul) in this stage was the necessity to **share** the truth about Christ with others. A disciple was to be a _____ & _____ others of the truth. They were to do this until the message had reached all the world.

Phase Five comes with its own set of discipleship *distinctives*. What Jesus requires of his disciples in this stage _____ *on and* _____ from the previous stages.

Phase Five Distinctives:

- (1) _____ - _____ *yet Christ sustained:*
- (2) _____ *vs followers:*
- (3) _____ *vs maintenance:*
- (4) _____ *vs replication:*
- (5) _____ *vs integration:*
- (6) _____ *vs harvesting:*

Phase Five of our discipleship efforts must _____ the **discipleship distinctives**, as well as the _____ of Jesus' second stage with his disciples.

Phase Five Life Indicators:

- Disciples understand that it is their responsibility to bear _____ to the truth. (Matthew 10:18, Acts 1:8)
- Disciples understand that it is their primary task in life to carry on the _____ & _____ of Jesus. (John 20:21)
- Disciples are _____ & _____ in how to evangelize. (Matt 10:17, Luke 10:9, 16)
- Disciples understand that they will face _____ for sharing about Christ. (Matt 10:17, 22, 24:9, John 15:18-21)
- Disciples begin to _____ on the Holy Spirit for wisdom & power in evangelism. (John 15:26-27, 20:21-23, Acts 1:8)
- Disciples begin to _____ the essence of the gospel message. (Luke 24:46-48, 1 Cor 15:3-4, 2 Cor 5:11-15, Romans 4:25)

The essence of the gospel message:

- (1) _____ about me & _____ the gospel, _____ them to obey all I have commanded.
- (2) The kingdom of God/Heaven is _____.
- (3) All have _____ and **fallen short** of God's glory.
- (4) Preach _____, all should **repent**.
- (5) God is _____ sins, not counting men's sin against them.
- (6) Christ _____ for all, Christ died for the **punishment** of sinner for their sins.
- (7) Christ was _____ from the dead, for the **justification** of sinners, and now lives.
- (8) All who _____ will not perish, be _____ or condemned. All who _____ will have _____.
- (9) All who do not believe **will be** condemned, **will be** punished, will perish and not have eternal life.

Let's Summarize:

-In the 5th stage of discipleship a disciple should clearly understand that God desires them to **share the gospel with others** and that God has given all believers the _____ of evangelism.

-In the 5th stage of discipleship a disciple is **ever aware of their limited time on earth** & they **seek to maximize their impact** by taking _____ of every _____ to share (and live out) the gospel.

-In the 5th stage of discipleship a disciple should be well aware that loving their neighbor & serving others is not an end in and of themselves but exist as **supporters & harbingers** of the gospel message which must be shared.

-The 5th stage of discipleship should focus on _____ a disciple to share the gospel on their own. The disciple should be well versed in the core message (elements) of the gospel.

-The 5th stage of discipleship should focus on evangelism _____. A disciple should be equipped, trained & feel confident in sharing, explaining & defending the gospel message.

-Teaching in the 5th stage of discipleship should focus on **the task** that Christ has left to his disciples & church, the _____ of sin, punishment & hell, & of salvation through faith in Christ alone etc.

-The 5th stage of discipleship should focus on helping a disciple see **all things** through the lens of eternity. A disciple is coached in the realm of _____ all things in their life for the cause of Christ and for gospel witness opportunities.

Personal Notes: