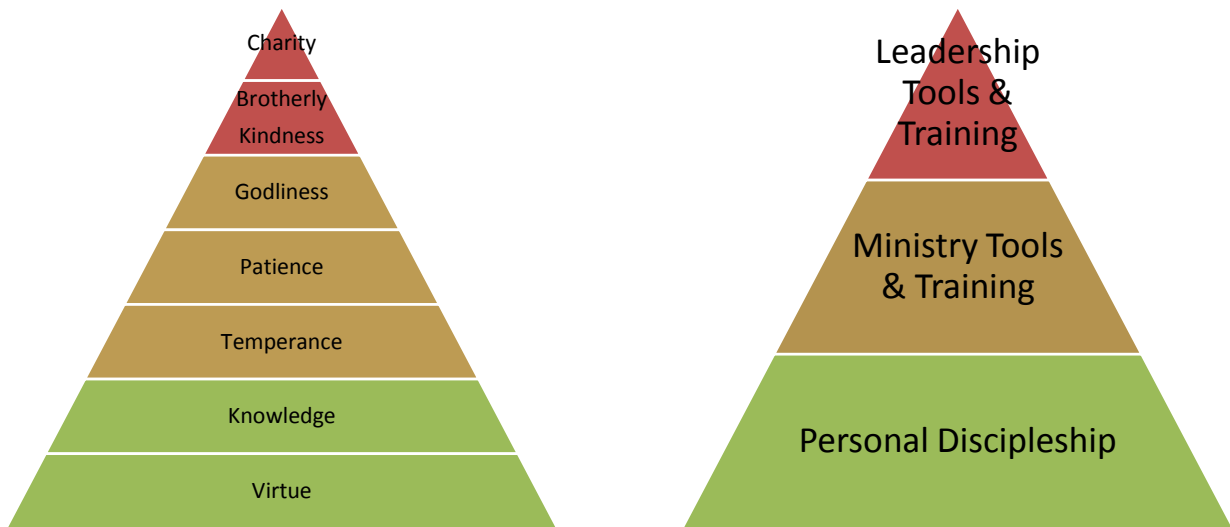


# THE GOALS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Jesus gives 3 calls to follow:

- Come and see (John 1:37-51). A call to FOLLOW CHRIST
- Come and serve (Mark 1:17). A call to LEARN MINISTRY
- Come and sacrifice (Mark 8:34). A call to SACRIFICE SELF

When we talk about discipleship, we mean this whole process – adding all levels listed in 2 Peter 1 (faith virtue, knowledge, temperance, etc.). OHBC has 3 phases of discipleship ministry to guide the disciple through these 7 levels.



The goals that we are covering in this session are specifically for PERSONAL DISCIPLESHIP (AKA Discipleship 1). This is the beginning phase, intended verify the disciple's FAITH, and then add VIRTUE, KNOWLEDGE and begin to add TEMPERANCE.

**Goal #1 of Personal Discipleship: Establish the disciple in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God**

## **A. The characteristics of the Babe**

- 1. Milestone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*John 1:12-13*  
*John 3:1-7*
- 2. Deficiency:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*1 Corinthians 3:1-3*

**3. Add: \_\_\_\_\_**

Definition: strength to change; a voluntary obedience to truth; repentance.

*Ruth 3:11*

*2 Peter 1:3*

*Proverbs 12:4*

*Proverbs 31:10*

**B. The role of the Worship of God**

*Genesis 22:5, 12*

*Romans 12:1-2*

**Principles to remember in establishing the disciple in the Worship of God:**

**1. A person \_\_\_\_\_ be disciplined unless they are \_\_\_\_\_ to obey.**

*Matthew 7:24-27*

*Matthew 3:8*

*Acts 26:20*

- Worship is a Biblical way to discern who is really serious and ready for discipleship.
- Worship is the decision of the disciple to respond in submission to God's goodness and God's sorrow.  
*Romans 2:4*  
*2 Corinthians 7:10*  
*John 6:66-69*
- It takes some longer than others to add this level, but it essential for discipleship.

**2. Worship is a daily \_\_\_\_\_ of obedience that leads to growing in Christ-likeness.**

**3. How do we know the disciple has added virtue?**

The first goal of Personal Discipleship is to establish the disciple in the Worship of God.

- Evidenced by voluntary obedience to truth
- Evidenced by continual, peaceful, eternal & powerful prayer.
- Evidenced by submission to believer's baptism.
- Evidenced by faithful stewardship.

**Goal #2 of Personal Discipleship: Establish the disciple in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God**

**A. The characteristics of the Little Child**

**1. Milestone:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Matthew 8:3-4*

*1 John 2:12-13*

**2. Deficiency:** \_\_\_\_\_

*1 John 2:1-2*

**3. Add:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Proverbs 1:7, 27*

*Matthew 13:10-11*

**B. The role of the Word of God**

• **The Word of God becomes the \_\_\_\_\_ of the disciple**

*Job 23:12*

*Matthew 4:4*

*Psalm 19:10*

*Psalm 119:103*

• **The Word of God becomes the \_\_\_\_\_ of the disciple**

*Psalm 119:128*

*Psalm 19:21*

• **The Word of God becomes the \_\_\_\_\_ of the disciple**

*Romans 12:2*

*Colossians 3:9-10*

*John 17:17*

The Word of God sanctifies (Ephesians 5:26)

The Word of God cleanses (Psalm 119:9)

The Word of God builds up (Acts 20:32)

The Word of God grows (1 Peter 2:2)

Psalm 19 says the Word converts the soul, Makes wise the simple, Rejoices the heart, and Enlightens the eyes

*1 Timothy 4:13 Till I come, give attendance to **reading**, to **exhortation**, to **doctrine**.*

*Ephesians 4:11-12*

*Colossians 2:6-7*

## Principles to remember in establishing the disciple in the Word of God:

### 1. The sequence

*2 Peter 1:5*

Knowledge comes \_\_\_\_\_ virtue.

*Proverbs 1:23*

Knowledge comes \_\_\_\_\_ public participation in ministry.

*John 5:1*

### 2. Focus on helping your disciple KNOW God

Place their faith in \_\_\_\_\_ not His \_\_\_\_\_.

Base their service on a \_\_\_\_\_ with Him not \_\_\_\_\_ for Him.

### 3. How do we know the disciple has added knowledge?

The second goal of Personal Discipleship is to establish the disciple in the Word of God.

- Evidenced by a consistent quiet time with the Lord.
- Evidenced by consistently seeking answers for life's issues from God's Word.
- Evidenced by faithfully attending and serving the church.
- Evidenced by relationships that include giving and receiving Biblical instruction, admonition and accountability.
- Evidenced by a life of contentment.

## Goal #3 of Personal Discipleship: Establish the disciple in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

### A. The characteristics of the Child

1. Milestone: \_\_\_\_\_

*2 John 4*

*3 John 4*

2. Deficiency: \_\_\_\_\_

*Ephesians 4:14-15*

3. Add: \_\_\_\_\_

*1 Corinthians 9:24-27*

*Hebrews 12:1*

*1 Corinthians 13:11*

## B. The role of the Work of God

*1 Corinthians 9:24-27*

*John 17:4*

- **The work of the Lord to the lost is \_\_\_\_\_**  
*John 17:6*

*2 Corinthians 5:17-20*

One on one:

*John 3:1-7*

*John 4:1-26*

Small Group/ Team:

*Mark 2:1-12*

*Mark 2:14*

*Luke 19:5-7*

Mass Evangelism:

*Matthew 5:1-7*

- **The work of the Lord to the saved is \_\_\_\_\_**  
*John 17:7-16*  
*2 Timothy 2:2*

- **The work of the Lord to the disciple is \_\_\_\_\_**  
*John 17:16*

### Principles to remember in establishing the disciple in the Work of God:

1. **The Work of God is for \_\_\_\_\_**  
*Matthew 9:36-38*

*Ephesians 4:11-12*

*1 Corinthians 12:6-7*

Everyone needs to be willing to pour his or her life into someone else.

*Luke 12:48*

*Luke 19:17*

2. Involvement in the Work of God is the \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility.

3. Temperance places \_\_\_\_\_ on the Work of God

*1 Corinthians 15:58*

4. How do we know the disciple has added temperance?

The third goal of Personal Discipleship is to establish the disciple in the WORK of God:

- Evidenced by fulfilling the spiritual role in the family
- Evidenced by involvement in evangelism
- Evidenced by involvement in discipleship

**\*\*The 4 goals presented by the Living Faith Fellowship**

The goals mentioned in this session are those adopted by Oakland Heights Baptist Church; other churches in the LFF also subscribe to these exact goals. However, the Living Faith Fellowship in general originated & maintains 4 goals:

1. Establish the Disciple in the Worship of God
2. Establish the Disciple in the Word of God
3. Establish the Disciple in the Local Church
4. Establish the Disciple in Ministry

Your church leadership may alter these to fit their view of the Bible's discipleship process.

**Summary: The Goals of Discipleship**

1) **Establish the disciple in the Worship of God:** *The posture of your life*

**Keyword:** *Virtue (2 Peter 1:5) – DO what you know*

- Evidenced by voluntary obedience to truth
- Evidenced by continual, peaceful, eternal & powerful prayer.
- Evidenced by submission to believer's baptism.
- Evidenced by faithful stewardship.

2) **Establish the disciple in the Word of God:** *The principle of your life*

**Keyword:** *Knowledge (2 Peter 1:5) – EXPAND Who you know*

- Evidenced by a consistent quiet time with the Lord.
- Evidenced by consistently seeking answers for life's issues from God's Word.
- Evidenced by faithfully attending and serving the church.
- Evidenced by relationships that include giving and receiving Biblical instruction, admonition and accountability.
- Evidenced by a life of contentment.

3) **Establish the disciple in the Work of God:** *The purpose of your life*

**Keyword:** *Temperance (2 Peter 1:6) – SOLIDIFY what you know*

- Evidenced by fulfilling the spiritual role in the family
- Evidenced by involvement in evangelism
- Evidenced by involvement in discipleship