



**1. Connect** *Question of the Day. Highs and Lows. Share how last week's message influenced your week.*

This past month, our pastors shared four timeless rhythms to shape our discipleship as a Fellowship community: (1) Forgetting What's Behind; (2) Prayer; (3) the Word of God; and (4) Community. What "timeless rhythm" struck you the most and how are you incorporating it into your life this year?

**2. Engage: Sermon Review + Discussion**

Pastor Albert said we all leave a spiritual legacy, whether we are aware of it or not. As a church, we are multiplying across three campuses: Monrovia High School, Huntington Drive, and Pasadena. As we lean into "Multiply the Movement" of our *MOVED* series, Pastor Albert framed our *multiplication* in light of our *spiritual legacy*.

**Discussion**

Pastor Albert said a disciple is someone who leaves a *spiritual legacy* of (1) Loving Jesus, (2) Living like Jesus, (3) Leading Others to Jesus.

1. *Love Jesus.* Paul shows us a model of someone who passionately pursued Jesus with such commitment, he was imprisoned. God initiated love and transformation in Paul's life. Think back over your life and reflect in your community about the time God initiated his love in your life. Can you recall the time when God started something in your relationship with him?
2. *Live Like Jesus.* Peter gives us a model of someone who looked at Jesus and begins to imitate him. In order to become more like Jesus, we need to behold Jesus. Pastor Albert said as we behold Jesus, our desires are shaped by what we fix our eyes on. What we behold, we become. What are you spending time beholding, admiring and envisioning lately? Is it making you more like Jesus?

**3. Apply: Next Faithful Step**

Pastor Albert said we are living witnesses to God's love. As living witnesses, we share God's love out of what he is currently doing in our lives. Is there someone in your immediate circle of influence (i.e. neighbor, family member, co-worker, friend) with whom you can share how God's love is currently showing up for you?



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Last week, Pastor Albert said we are living witnesses to God's love. As you look back on the week, how were you a living witness to God's love to someone in your immediate circle of influence? Share a specific person God placed in your way this week to be a living witness.

## 2. Engage: Sermon Review + Discussion

Read Matthew 28:16-20 as a LifeGroup together. Pastor Albert said we all leave a spiritual legacy, which is our ability to deposit this legacy to others. Discipleship doesn't stop at baptizing and telling people about Jesus Christ, it's continues when "as we are going," we invite them and give them a vision of what it's like to be in relationship with Jesus. We do this by investing our spiritual legacy into others with: (1) Time; (2) Knowledge; and (3) Impact."

### Discussion

1. Pastor Albert shared that the Great Commission was given to over 500 people, many of whom were just regular individuals. How does hearing that the Great Commission was given to regular people change how you respond to it?
2. Pastor Albert encouraged us to invite people into the messiness of your life. As followers of Jesus, we resist the temptation to show up inauthentically and put together a life that's not perfect. We invite people into the mess and we invite them into accountability.
  - How can you see your mess not as a barrier but as an invitation?
  - What messy place in your life can you authentically invite someone into?
3. We share knowledge not by teaching with a white board, but with a mirror. "As we are going," we invite people to see into us and see the Word of God contextualized in our lives. Discipling becomes two people pursuing the light of Christ so that every area can be illuminated by the Word of God.
  - Where are the places in your life where the light of Christ needs to shine, because there's currently darkness?
4. As disciples, we take part in the Great Commission to all nations, and it begins by making *one investment* at a time. Trace your faith journey back to individuals who invested in you.
  - Share several individuals who passed on their spiritual legacy and impact in your life. How have each of these people shaped your discipleship?



### 3. Apply: Next Faithful Step

Pastor Albert said a disciple is someone who invests our spiritual legacy into others by loving others, living like Jesus, and leading others to Jesus. In our discipling, God doesn't call us to a transactional encounter, God calls us to relationship and depth.

- Ask the Holy Spirit, "Who is someone I can walk with and disciple, as I live out my ordinary life? Is it a co-worker, a friend, or a neighbor?"
- How can you take practical steps to begin this relationship?

### 4. Prayer

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We are in our third week of the "Spiritual Legacy" series. A disciple is someone who pours one's spiritual legacy into others by loving others, living like Jesus, and leading others to Jesus. Last week, Pastor Albert encouraged us to invite the Holy Spirit to show us someone we could walk with in discipleship. What did the Holy Spirit reveal to you as you took practical steps towards this?

**2. Engage: Sermon Review + Discussion**

Read 2 Timothy 1 as a LifeGroup together. Pastor Albert said we all leave a spiritual legacy, which is our ability to deposit a legacy of discipleship to others. In the Gospels, we see Jesus choose regular people as his strategy for saving the world through *Discipling Relationships*. These relationships are described through the acronym, R.I.D.E.: Relational; Inspirational; Doctrinal; Experiential.

**Discussion**

1. Discipling relationships are ***Relational***. Paul and Timothy model a spiritual legacy being passed down through being known and cared for. These relationships know **what's in you** (the lineage of truth that has been passed down to you), **what's in your tears** (the realities burdening your soul), and **what's in your prayers** (the hope you need to be held accountable to).
  - As you reflect on your friendships, is there someone who knows what is "in" you? Is there someone who knows what is "in your tears"? Is there someone who knows what is "in your prayers"?
2. Discipleship is not a cognitive transference of information. Discipleship is based on authentic relationship with God and with others, however, Satan's greatest strategy is to keep us in isolation. What is currently standing in the way of you allowing people to know and care for you?
  - How can you take steps towards creating spaces of being known and cared for the people in your life?
3. Discipling relationships are ***Inspirational***. Paul reminds Timothy to "fan the flame" and to stir up the gifts inside of him. We need relationships who inspire us, "fan the flame" of the gifts inside of us, and remind us of the "spirit of power, love, and a sound mind" that God has given us. Who calls the power of God in your life and inspires you to live the fullness of your God-given identity and destiny?



4. Discipling relationships are *Doctrinal*. As disciples, we turn the light of the Word of God on each other's lives so that we can help each other "see." These relationships remind one another of the relevancy of Scripture in every aspect our lives.
  - What is a relationship that is grounding you in the Word of God?
  - How are you encouraging the people in your life to experience and pursue the Word of God?
5. Pastor Albert shared discipling relationships are *mutual relationships*. As you reflect on your life, who are you currently pouring into? Who is pouring into you? Take time to intentionally pray as a LifeGroup for those who feel they have no one in either of these categories.

### 3. Apply: Next Faithful Step

Discipling Relationships are *Experiential*. As disciples, we prepare ourselves to preach the gospel "in season" and "out of season." Pastor Albert said that oftentimes we as disciples talk about doing something instead of actually getting out to do the work. As you reflect on your own discipleship journey, has there been inaction on something God has been calling you to experientially enact? How can you prayerfully invite others into this act of trust and faith?

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**2. Engage: Sermon Review + Discussion**

Read Acts 20:24 together as a LifeGroup: "But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."

As you read this passage, what words or phrases resonate with you? Share this aloud with your group.

**Discussion**

Pastor Michael asked the question, "How do you measure whether or not you are living a life of significance? How do you assign your life significance?" In his sermon, he shared this Central Truth: Life has no greater value than when I use it to impact people's eternity with the message of God's love.

- As you read the *Central Truth*, do you agree or disagree with this statement? What about this reality do you wrestle with or resonate with?
- A day is coming when the only question that matters is this: "What did you do with Jesus?" Take some time to answer that question in your group. Where are you in your relationship with Christ today? Are you looking forward to an eternity with Christ?
- How would you describe how you're living on this earth? What are the things in life that you are pursuing most in this moment?
- What are some ways our culture defines how significant our lives are? How do you measure how significant your life is? If you were honest, what are the things that make you feel like your life matters? There are no wrong answers or shame involved in this answer.
- Think back to the bungee cord analogy of "eternity" that Pastor Michael used in his sermon illustration. Our time on earth is described in the Scriptures as the width of a hand or a fleeting breath. What does this stir up within you? Fear and guilt or freedom and grace? What might be underneath these feelings? Get into smaller groups of 2-3 people and share aloud with your group.



- Come back as a larger group. When you “see” people, do you consider their eternal reality? What stands in the way of you seeing individuals as eternal beings, made in the image of God for the purpose of bringing hope through Christ? What steps can you take towards seeing people with an eternal perspective in mind?
- We have a tendency to shrink our lives down to our own wants and desires but a living a *Spiritual Legacy* means we are living for the glory of God. What are the excuses you have for not sharing Christ with others? How can you begin to set those aside to share Christ with someone else?

### **3. Apply: Next Faithful Step**

- Pastor Michael challenged us to write down three names of people who are not following Jesus and make a commitment to impact their eternity. Pray through how you will invest in those individuals you know are far from God.
- Share a tangible way you will partner with God to take a step towards impacting someone’s eternal reality (i.e. inviting them to church, sharing the gospel with them, giving them a book to read, etc.).

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*\*If anyone needs additional pastoral support or prayers regarding this sermon or any other aspect of our Spiritual Legacy series, please don’t hesitate to reach out to our pastoral staff. We would love to chat more deeply and pray with you.*