Discipleship 3

Making Disciples of others

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Matthew 4:19 (AV) - 19 And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

Matthew 28:19, 20 (KJV) — 19 Go ye therefore, and teach (μαθητεύω *mathēteuō*) all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

"To educate a man in mind and not in morals is to educate a menace to society." Theodore Roosevel

John 13:35 (KJV) - 35 By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Romans 13:8 (KJV) - 8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.

"People don't care how much you know
until they know
how much you care."

Theodore Roosevelt

1 Peter 4:8 (KJV) — 8 And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. James 5:19, 20 (KJV) — 19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; 20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude [πλῆθος (*plēthos*)]of sins. **"Knowing what's** right doesn't mean much unless you do what's right."

Theodore Roosevelt

Isaiah 6:8 (KJV) — 8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me. Romans 12:1 (KJV) — 1 l beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service **Psalm 50:5 (KJV)** - 5 Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice. Christ asks for an unreserved consecration, for undivided service. He demands the heart, the mind, the soul, the strength. Self is not to be cherished. He who lives to himself is not a Christian. (*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 48.4) Acts 1:8 (KJV) — 8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. **Proverbs 4:7 (KJV)** — 7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

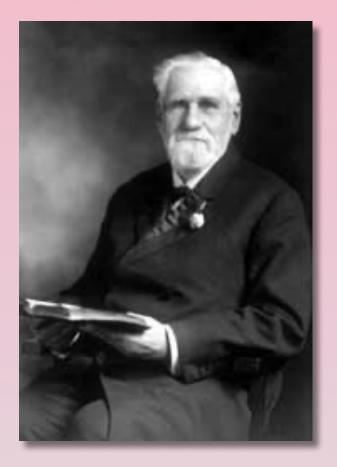
Proverbs 1:7 (KJV) -7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: . . .

Mechanics, lawyers, merchants, men of all trades and professions, educate themselves that they may become masters of their business. Should the followers of Christ be less intelligent, and while professedly engaged in His service be ignorant of the ways and means to be employed? The enterprise of gaining everlasting life is above every earthly consideration.(*Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 4, p. 67.2a)

In order to lead souls to Jesus there must be a knowledge of human nature and a study of the human mind. Much careful thought and fervent prayer are required to know how to approach men and women upon the great subject of truth. (*Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 4, p. 67.2b) **Psalm 90:12 (KJV)** - 12 So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Our minds should be so trained that if necessary we can present the truths of His word before the highest earthly authorities in such a way as to glorify His name. We should not let slip even one opportunity of qualifying ourselves intellectually to work for God. (Christ's Object Lessons, p. 333.4)

Elder Stephen Haskell always carried a Bible with him everywhere he went.



Romans 10:17 (KJV) - 17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Matthew 17:20 (KJV) — 20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you. Galatians 6:9 (KJV) - 9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Micah 6:8 (KJV) — 8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

In choosing men and women for His service, God does not ask whether they possess learning or eloquence or worldly wealth. He asks: "Do they walk in such humility that I can teach them My way? Can I put My words into their lips? Will they represent Me?" (*Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 7, p. 144.2)

1 Peter 3:8 (KJV) — 8 Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous: **Proverbs 15:1 (KJV)** - 1 A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

In the work of soul-winning, great tact and wisdom are needed. The Saviour never suppressed the truth, but He uttered it always in love. In His intercourse with others, He exercised the greatest tact, and He was always kind and thoughtful. He was never rude, never needlessly spoke a severe word, never gave unnecessary pain to a sensitive soul. He did not censure human weakness. (Gospel Workers, p. 117.1a)

He fearlessly denounced hypocrisy, unbelief, and iniquity, but tears were in His voice as He uttered His scathing rebukes. He never made truth cruel, but ever manifested a deep tenderness for humanity. Every soul was precious in His sight. He bore Himself with divine dignity; yet He bowed with the tenderest compassion and regard to every member of the family of God. He saw in all, souls whom it was His mission to save. (Gospel Workers, p. 117.1b)

John 2:15 (KJV) — 15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; **Isaiah 42:3 (AV)** -3 A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth.

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John 20:21 (KJV) — 21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.