

## Chapter 1 : Sample Gospel Presentation

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The Guardian Continuing with the third image of the guardian, Pastor Philip de Courcy focuses on the aspects of building legacy through mentoring and discipleship. *Spiritual Life* Apr 4, Dennis L. Dennis Rainey, President, CEO, and Co-founder of FamilyLife, discusses how the church needs to equip the next generation of families to prepare their children for marriage. *Bible* Mar 30, Robert J. Garippa A Lasting Obedience Dr. Robert Garippa, Vice President for Student Services and Dean of Students, asserts an unwavering faith is built on a commitment to the Christ-centered life and the daily Chapel Oct 11, Joe M. Joe Allen, Jr, Campus Pastor at DTS, talks about the opportunities God gives for taking risk in reaching out to others in times of desperation and darkness, *issuing the Theology* Sep 12, Mark L. Chapel Sep 7, Richard Ellis Suppository Preaching Pastor Richard Ellis of Reunion Church in downtown Dallas affirms the commitment of both time and truth as necessary in the process of discipleship. *Bible* Aug 30, Mark L. Theology Charles Self Darrell L. Darrell Bock and Dr. Self discuss the Discipleship Dynamics assessment, focusing on healthy relationships and vocational clarity. Self discuss the Discipleship Dynamics assessment, focusing on spiritual formation and personal wholeness. Jonny Derouen, Associate Professor of Student Ministry at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, shines light on the crucial need to challenge and encourage this generation *Bible* Jun 3, Billy R. Abraham Kuruvilla, Associate Professor of Pastoral Ministries, describes how the paragon of discipleship is marked by a desperate dependence on Jesus, especially when disaster Posts navigation DTS Voice offers biblically-centered articles, stories, podcasts, and points of view from the DTS family designed to encourage and equip the church for gospel transformation. Sign up for DTS voice updates [Subscribe](#).

**Chapter 2 : About the Assessment - Discipleship Dynamics**

*The Discipleship Dynamics Assessment (DDA) is a biblical, comprehensive, practical resource offering individuals and churches clear understanding of their current discipleship maturity in 5 Dimensions and up to 35 Outcomes that touch on all facets of the Christian life.*

Now, for the first time, by using scriptural principles in conjunction with tested methods of social science, you can truly discover where you are in your spiritual life, accurately define your spiritual strengths and weaknesses and find resources designed to build your life of discipleship. The Discipleship Dynamics Assessment DDA is a biblical, comprehensive, practical resource offering individuals and churches clear understanding of their current discipleship maturity in 5 Dimensions and up to 35 Outcomes that touch on all facets of the Christian life. There is no other resource available that integrates Spiritual Formation loving God with all our being , Personal Wholeness healthy self-respect , Healthy Relationships loving our neighbor as ourselves , Vocational Clarity having a clear sense of purpose and Economics and Work our labor at home or in the workplace. All the Dimensions and Outcomes are biblical and have been tested by field research. It is the critical starting point and energizes all other dimensions. They are able to find answers to their questions in the Bible. Pray Without Ceasing Mature disciples have developed the capacity to communicate with God continually, regardless of the context that they find themselves in. They have developed the capacity that Paul speaks about in I Thessalonians 5: Worship in Spirit and Truth Disciples are called to worship God under all circumstances. This is a skill that is developed over time. As disciples grow in maturity they are able to discern the voice of God and differentiate it from all the other voices that demand their attention Ps. Pursue Biblical Principles for Living Another characteristic of discipleship is a passion to understand how the Bible applies to contemporary issues in the world today. Disciples display passion for biblical applications to life. Share the Gospel Wisely with Others Disciples desire to share the Gospel with others in a way that draws people closer to the Christ rather than pushing them further away I Pet. Sharing wisely means we can convey the Gospel story and our testimony with clarity and humility. Enjoy Fellowship in the Local Church Christian discipleship is a community experience wherein we allow our brothers and sisters in the faith to speak into our lives I Co. Seeking out this fellowship with others is critical. This is more than weekly attendance in a worship meeting. We have come to associate worship with music and demonstrative praise. Being able to sit alone and consider the magnificence of the God of the universe is a powerful discipline. Personal Wholeness PW The second dimension of discipleship places attention on the realities in our own hearts, issues that reveal the level of emotional health. We have identified eight discipleship outcomes that deal with the issue of personal wholeness from the Scriptures. Our bodies have replaced the Tabernacle in the Wilderness of the Old Testament as the place where God resides through the New Covenant. It therefore makes sense that we are admonished to take care of our bodies: There are several areas that we can monitor to promote this aspect of discipleship. Positive Self-Image Christian humility includes developing a healthy image of who you are in Christ Ro. Many cultural and social values are in conflict with biblical values and make people feel less important than others. There are values about what color your skin or your hair should be, how tall or good-looking you should be, or how smart or talented you are. Disciples understand that they are created in the image of God Gen. Disciples need to be able to look into the mirror each day and rejoice in what they see. Gratitude When Jesus healed a group of ten lepers Luke 17 only one of them came back to express his gratitude for this amazing miracle of grace! Disciples are grateful people rejoicing in the profound blessings they enjoy every day I Th. Manage Negative Emotions Daily we experience happiness, anger, frustration, fear, embarrassment, and amusement. These emotions typically trigger responses that are either normal or sinful. Learning to manage our negative emotions is one of the tasks that the Holy Spirit helps us with. He fosters affections of joy, peace and patience when negative emotions flood in Gal. Hope for the Future The Resurrection of Jesus is the source of our eternal hope, as we see in our Lord a preview of our future! We are confident not only in our eternal destiny, but are the work of the Holy Spirit in our life today I John 3: Clean Conscience Spirit-filled disciples have to war against various spiritual attacks against their inner well being 2

Co. In this discipleship outcome we are faced with spiritual attacks from our past that attempt to rob us of our peace. Spirit-filled disciples have learned to live with a clean conscience. There is no one alive who can accuse them of wrongs that they have not tried to make right Ro. Disciples have peace in their hearts about their past I John 3: Self-discipline Paul and Peter tell us that self-discipline is one of the fruit that the Holy Spirit is actively cultivating in our lives Gal. Research provides us with insights into the benefits of delayed gratification. Being able to postpone immediate gratification in order to enjoy a greater reward later has been associated with a wide variety of, mental and physical benefits. Manage Personal Resources The way that we manage our income, expenditures and debt commitments is an excellent barometer of maturity. When money becomes so important that it enslaves us to work too many hours a week, or when we live beyond our means we are in a zone of spiritual danger Mt. Love Intimately and Unselfishly People who have experienced hurts in their relationships tend to resist close relationships with others. It becomes difficult for them to allow people to come close to them because in their experience, people who come close tend to cause pain and bring disappointment. The typical response for such people is to keep others at a distance. But this is not healthy. In the kingdom of God we need the fellowship and support from the family of God. Learning to love intimately, even when we have been wounded is a sign of emotional health and maturity I Co Forgiveness Jesus calls disciples to forgive others, as God has forgiven them Mt. Forgiveness has received a lot of interest from researchers in the past few years. It is now widely understood as a healthy personal response to hurt, as well as a fundamentally important spiritual-theological concept. The capacity to forgive requires that someone have strong inner strength and a willingness to be humble in a relationship that has been scarred by painful interactions. Marital Intimacy and Unity The marital bond is the closest human relationship that any of us could enter into Gen. The development of intimacy and unity in marriage requires a maturing set of skills that include outcomes from all dimensions in this assessment. One could say that the level of marital intimacy is a good barometer of progress in all of the other dimensions. Manage Sexuality This is an obvious interpersonal challenge facing every person. The ancient Israelites faced pagan idolatry that expressed itself in sexual immorality. New Testament believers needed to learn stewardship of their bodies as they came to faith Hosea ; 1 Co. From adolescence to the point where we finally settle with our life partner, we typically face many struggles. Sensitive to the Marginalized Another dimension that one does not often see in the discipleship literature is the example of Jesus relating to those who are rejected by society Matt. But Jesus typically associated with the abnormal, the poor, the outcasts and those who lived on the fringes Luke Hospitable One of the signs of spiritual maturity and a qualification for spiritual leadership in the church is the ability to extend hospitality to others, especially those who would not be able to reciprocate the kindness I Tim. In a world where it is much easier to live in your own private cocoon so no one will disturb you, the Christian virtue of hospitality offers an alternative. The New Testament church was known for their hospitality where people built friendships around mealtimes Acts 2: Using your home to welcome others is a valuable ministry. Vocational Clarity VC The fourth dimension of discipleship reminds us that the Holy Spirit is poured out on all believers and that it is not only the clergy who are called of God Acts 2: Every person who is a follower of Jesus Christ has been entrusted with a unique set of gifts and talents that they must invest in service to God and others Rom. These callings include our daily work, but often are broader and deeper than how we earn our daily bread. We have grouped eight outcomes under this dimension. God invited Adam and Eve to work with Him to create value, to produce crops, and to manage the earth “before they sinned Gen. Eden was full of grains, fruits, and metals for creative humans to develop and enjoy. Sense of Calling Allied to the importance of work is a real sense of calling, an understanding that whatever I do, I am engaged in Kingdom work Co. It is an acknowledgement that God has called me for a particular purpose. Insights into Gifts and Talents One component of Vocational Clarity is developing understanding of your gifts and talents, your strengths and weaknesses. In order to fully understand my calling and my work it is important to recognize the spiritual gifts and skill sets that God has invested in my life, the skills that He expects me to invest in His kingdom Ro. Mission with Spouse My calling is integrally tied to the person with whom God has joined me Eph. Our ministries complement one another as we learn to minister in harmony even if we possess different callings. Teamwork An important part of my vocational clarity is the realization that there are others that have gifts and

talents that are meant to augment my ministry. I cannot function and thrive alone. I have to learn that my calling can only be effective when it is done as part of a team I Cor. Seek the Common Good The Bible commands believers to love their enemies, pray for those in authority and do all they can to live at peace with all, as they witness for the Lord Rom. Communities need social capital in order to function well. Social capital is the benefits that a community receives when individuals and groups cooperate together and serve one another. In the absence of social capital people demand more services from government, and if that is not possible, the community suffers. Disciples seek the common good because this is what Jesus would have done. Mentoring Others As disciples grow in maturity, the time comes for them to mentor those who are young in the faith in the development of their callings and skills. We asked you to evaluate your capacity and readiness to enter into such a mentorship role. Economics and Work EW The last of the five discipleship dimensions is the one that most people find surprising. Earlier we already indicated that God is vitally interested in our work and that we need to become aware of our calling in Christ. In this dimension we assert that the workplace and participation in the economy where goods and services are exchanged to supply the needs of our communities is the context where we live out The Great Commission Mt. This is where we impact society, contribute to the common good and where we work to create a better world. This is our mission field where we are salt and light to the world. We define work as all meaningful and moral activity apart from leisure or rest.

### Chapter 3 : discipleship Archives - DTS Voice

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This is presented as a guide to the integration of methods, doctrines and scripture. As a general principle, the more scripture that the evangelist has in memory, the more effective will be the presentation, since the Word penetrates the heart Heb. The following sample presentation is designed for those who believe in God, and accept the authority of the Bible, at least nominally. As a guide, it might be studied and then read over just before going calling. A debt is acknowledged to Evangelism Explosion III International EE , both in case any similarities are seen, and because they gave me the best training for personal evangelism. Quoted verses are taken from the New International Version Bible. Pre-evangelism Personal Preparation Our heart must be ready. Be prepared for Satan to attempt to disrupt you before leaving the house through misunderstandings, etc. Materials Prepared Our materials should be ready. Try also to have copies of a current listing of community resources, such as job training and sources of free food, medical and dental help, lodging and other community services. Prayer They must be ready. We ask that God will lead us to those He has already prepared, so that we can take our place in the chain of events which leads to their salvation I Cor. It is best to pray with someone specifically for the visitation prior to going. Part of the armor of God is intercessory prayer "Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel Teamwork Those with whom we go must be ready. Try to team up with one and preferably two other people. A woman or a member of the ethnic culture of the people we are trying to reach will normally reduce fears of the residents. Leave time to discuss progress either at the end of the witnessing session or once a month. Before presenting the Gospel, it should be understood among the team who will lead the basic presentation. In the meantime, watch and pray. In contact evangelism, we try very hard to make friends, quickly! We hope to develop friendships with those who are receptive. As proponents of friendship evangelism point out, even in that context, at some point one needs to know what to say to share Christ. Building a relationship It is almost crucial to gain acceptance before attempting to share Christ. In the case of "contact evangelism," when you have never met the person before, state plainly, but in a friendly manner, who you represent and what you are doing. It may be a good idea to say that you are not a Jehovah-Witness or a Mormon, since you may be mistaken for them and it often creates rapport. It does not work as well if the resident is in either category! Try to offer a gift of some kind Prov. If you need to follow up, you can obtain the last name and address later, after you have had more time to build a relationship. You may have to share the gospel on the doorstep. If so, let the relationship hold control the door. If you are invited in, take the opportunity. Select a seat that will give you the best chance to speak to the resident. If the TV is on, after you have gained more rapport, ask if you could turn the sound down, since it is distracting. Turn the sound all the way off, and if they suggest turning the TV off, do so. Then before leaving, return the volume setting. Expect distractions, such as visitors, active children, and phone calls, particularly at the close of the presentation at the point of a decision. Those who are not presenting the gospel should try to keep the resident from distractions, if possible. Often people on the street will not want to listen to a long presentation. You can bargain, asking for three minutes of their time. Then look at your watch, and keep your word. Therefore, you must be able to present the Gospel succinctly, without distorting it. Do they have a valid assurance of salvation? Good doctors ask many questions. So do good evangelists. Tailor the presentation uniquely to each individual. Start where the person is. They may not even believe in God or the Bible, so we could be guilty of great presumption. Be very careful to listen to the person. A doctor must listen before prescribing a remedy, and so must a "soul" doctor. The better we listen, the better we will be able to address the specific needs and objections that the person may have. The better we listen, the more fair it will appear to allow you the witness to speak. The goal is to enter into dialogue with the person, so that they will feel free to honestly express problems they may have with what you say. If the person is too talkative, you may have to take more control

of conversation so that you can present the Gospel. Every person is an image bearer of God, and deserves respect. The person may have a beer in hand, and have a live-in lover. The personal appearance may be unlovely. God has delivered us from what He alone knows. If you seem to get nowhere with the person, pass the presentation to another on the team, if possible, or leave in such a way that the next Christian has an easier time of it. Also, do not promise anything to the person that you are not prepared to perform. It is wise, if you are uncertain, to say that you will not promise anything, but will see what you might be able to do. Would you like one? Have a good day! If the answer is one of faith in Jesus Christ, encourage them, and perhaps leave a local Christian radio program guide, a modern language Bible, or other material. You may also warn them of the dangers of putting off the decision [cf. Gospel Presentation We all have sinned Most often, in the Black community, the biggest misunderstanding of salvation comes at this point. This false view of righteousness is a Satanic deception that must be destroyed [2 Cor. We are in the same boat. We deserve to go to a place of unending agony and torment called hell. Once a person goes there, there is no possibility of getting from there to heaven Luke No one can get to heaven by being good, even though most people believe this. Do you know why? How are we going to pay for those sins already committed? There is only one person who has lived without sin. Do you know who this was? Jesus, still God, humbled himself by becoming a mere man, a servant, and then by dying for us Philippians 2: Jesus took our sins, and paid for them by the sacrifice of Himself. Counting the Cost--Purity Note: Receiving Christ seems to be like taking out a "fire" insurance policy, which has no impact on the rest of life. Notice that God wants those who follow Him "To live for righteousness," to "become the righteousness of God," once Christ becomes our sin bearer. This involves repentance, which means a decision to turn away from any known sin, toward God. We cannot do this in our own power, but when God comes into our life, he cleans us from the inside out. We must be willing for God to clean us and cooperate with Him. Whose side are you on: Satan has a stronghold in the inner city. Until Christ comes in to take control of our life, we are under the control of the god of this world, Satan, and are in the kingdom of darkness 1 John 5: Satan is too strong for us, if we are without Christ, and will keep us in slavery to sin. Satan is a destroyer and will ruin your life John He tries to keep us in spiritual blindness 1 John 4: Our only hope of getting out of his grasp is to receive Christ, who is greater in power than Satan James 4: God can rescue us Col. How does a person receive Jesus Christ? There are certain key truths about Christ that must be believed, called the "gospel", which is that: We get there simply by faith. This is the truth that will set you free from the power of sin and Satan John 8: Invitation Would you like to put your faith in Jesus Christ and receive the person of Jesus into your life right now? If they are "not ready," ask them what keeps them back, then try to deal with that hindrance. If the person is ready, they often will want to pray right then and there. I usually give them the option to pray in the privacy of their own room before going to bed that night, so that they will not do something just to get rid of, or to please the evangelist.

### Chapter 4 : Home - Discipleship Dynamics Discipleship Dynamics

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*The Discipleship Dynamics Assessment (DDA) does just that. It is a biblical, comprehensive, and practical tool offering pastors a clearer understanding of their congregation's current discipleship maturity.*

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