SESSION SEVEN DISCIPLE MAKING

TEACHING - WHERE DO WE START?

Please watch video 7 - Akhtar Shah speaks on creating a culture of making disciples who will make disciples.

READING/HEARING - WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

Read Matthew 28:18-20

- 1. What stands out to you from the passage in the light of Akhtar's talk?
- 2. Do you feel uncomfortable about teaching people to obey Jesus? Think, share and pray about why

Read Matthew 18:20

1. How do we experience the presence of Jesus when two or three are sharing together?

Read Matthew 22:36-40

1. Why did Akhtar refer to this passage in talking about making disciples?

Read Matthew 4:19

- 1. What was Jesus' promise?
- 2. Should we invite others to do what we ourselves do? Are we able to?

Read Acts 2:42-47

1. How can we tell whether disciple-making is bearing fruit?

DISCUSSING - WHAT DOES IT MEAN IN PRACTICE?

- 1. A definition of disciple-making: loving another so they know love of God and they trust and obey Jesus themselves.
 - Which part of this is hardest?
 - How does this definition change any previous assumptions you have had about making disciples?
- 2. Akhtar encouraged us to "Say what you see in another, to call out what God has deposited in them."
 - How can we know whom to speak to?
 - How can we see what to call out?

ACTING - WHAT DO WE DO WITH ALL THIS?

1. After raising Jairus' daughter and the Centurion's servant (Matt 8-9) Jesus and retreats to be with the Twelve. What does it mean for you to retreat with a few people to invest in them? Have you planned to do this?

OTHER RESOURCES - WHERE ELSE SHOULD WE LOOK?

AN MATERIALS

- Discipleship Bible study (Please ask if you would like a copy)
- Discovery and Stepping Out courses (Please ask for links to courses)

BOOKS

- Humility: True Greatness C J Mahaney
- Making Disciples: How Did Jesus Do It? Tony Pullin
- Mentoring Matters Rick Lewis
- Organic Leadership Neil Cole

REFLECTION

Make a note of what struck you out of the talk and the workbook:

- 1. What was the most surprising or 'new' thing for you?
- 2. What was the most important thing you noticed or thought about?
- 3. What do you need to find out more about, in scripture and in conversation or other research?
- 4. What do you need to pray or do, to be more ready to lead a Home Church?
- 5. If you are going through this course on your own, who will you share these reflections with? Ask them to pray for you and to follow up in future how you have taken the actions.