### 2017 MBT Discipleship Refresher

#### LWC Week One Handout:

All our Adult Sunday Fellowships will be teaching the four goals of discipleship over the next three weeks. This is part of a churchwide discipleship refresher. LWC's schedule is:

Week 1: 7/23/17 Intro/Overview

Week 2: 7/30/17 Goals #1 and 2: Establish in Worship, Word of God

Week 3: 8/6/17 Goals #3 and 4: Establish in Church, Ministry

### I. Discipleship Goals:

A. Purpose of the Goals: What we need to <u>understand</u>:

1. The Bible is a <u>big book</u> and sanctification and maturity are ongoing processes that <u>never end</u>. (Php 1:6, 3:13). You

2. We recognize that taking someone thru a group of lessons does not necessarily result in disciples of Jesus Christ. (2 Ti 3:7, Matt 23:23-24, 1 Cor 8:1-3). Illustrations: Learning to read, does not make you a reader.

3. We need something to accomplish which results in success in the mission of making disciples. That is what the goals are!

a) Not man-made—distilled instructions from God's Word. (Deut 10:12-13, Eccl 12:13, Col 3:1-2.)

"The Things Above" from ACR:

<u>Person</u> of God that we may <u>love</u> Him.

Word of God that we may know Him.

<u>Throne</u> of God that we may <u>worship</u> Him.

Family of God that we may serve Him

# B. Personal Prioritization of the Goals: What we need to Undertake:

- 1. The goals are what we use the lessons to achieve!
- 2. We must make the goals our goals.
  - a) Rom 2:16, 16:25, 2 Thess 2:14, 1 Ti 1:11, 1 Ti 2:7
- 3. We do not come up with a message to preach or teach, we teach what is <u>already there</u>. In order to do so, we must make it our own. John 7:16, 8:28, 38, John 16:13
- 4. Leaders must have "come follow me as I follow Christ" as their mentality. If it is not real to you, then how can you expect it to be real for them? Col 1:9-10, 28. 1 Co 11:1. 1 Ti 4:6:...whereunto thou hast attained.
- C. Every member established in:
  - 1. Worshipping God
  - 2. Learning/Knowing the WOG
  - 3. Plugged in with real relationships
  - 4. Serving God through the ministries of the body.

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