

BSD YEAR ONE DISCIPLESHIP GUIDELINES

REPENTANCE AND FAITH

Does the person you're discipling understand...

- Godly sorrow (2 Corinthians 7:10-11)
- Asking and receiving forgiveness for all past sins?
- A turn of heart to do God's will?
- The Lordship of Jesus Christ in all areas of their life?
- A willingness to obey Jesus in everything?

BAPTISM IN WATER

Does the person understand...

- Baptism as an act of obedience?
- Baptism is full immersion after their conversion, not a symbolic gesture as an infant?
- God is doing a supernatural work of circumcision of the sin loving nature as they are baptized?

BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

Do you see evidence of the baptism of the Holy Spirit by the person...

- Receiving his/her prayer language?
- Being empowered to be a witness?
- God working in his/her life, cleansing and purifying their heart and doing His work of sanctification?

KNOWING GOD

Does the person you're discipling understand that eternal life is knowing God? (John 17:3) Does he/she...

- Have a hunger for God's word?
- Have a desire to spend time with God and know who He is?

BIBLE READING

Does the person you're discipling...

- Have a disciplined habit of reading God's Word?
- Have a daily study time?
- Have a good Bible? Good translation? Study Guides?
- Share with you what they are learning from the Bible? Do you share with them what God is teaching you?
- Have a good plan on reading through the Bible?
- Know how to meditate on God's Word and receive revelation for their personal life?
- Understand principles of Bible Interpretation?
- Know how to do a word study, character study, topical study?

- Understand the importance of the Bible?
 - God revealing His will to man
 - It equips us for every good work (2 Timothy 3:16)
 - It washes us (Ephesians 5:26)
 - It helps us discern between good and evil (Hebrews 5:14)
 - It helps us to have a framework of discernment for subjective supernatural experiences.

PRAISE, WORSHIP AND PRAYER

Does the person you're discipling...

- Have a quiet time every day where they sing and pray to the Lord and read His Word?
- Have an understanding of the importance of praise and worship—how it ministers to the Lord and to their own heart and soul, and also does warfare in the spiritual realm? (Psalm 149)
- Understand that we enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise? (Psalm 100:4)
- Pray in tongues regularly and understand the importance of doing this? (Jude 24, 1 Corinthians 14)
- Understand the different dimensions of prayer?
 - Intercession
 - Thanksgiving
 - Petition
 - Confession
 - Talking to God as a friend
 - Waiting silently before the Lord: listening

COMMITMENT TO THE LOCAL CHURCH

Has the person you're discipling...

- Completed the Purple Book?
- Been through the Membership Classes (Spiritual Foundations, Spiritual Family, Membership interview)?
- Been through the Make1Start1 classes?
- Shown an understanding of submission to godly authority?
- Been faithful to attend Sunday church and a midweek meeting?
- Made relationships with other church members?
- Found a way to serve practically in the church?
- Shown an understanding of the core values of the church and EN and are they able to clearly communicate them.

VISION

Does the person you're discipling have...

- An understanding of God's unique plan for his/her life? (Ephesians 2:10)
- Long-term and short-term goals to achieve this plan?
- An understanding of their spiritual gifts and ministry gifts?
- An understanding of their unique personality and how that plays into God's

plan for their life?

- A practical way that they are serving or preparing now for their future ministry?
- Self-motivation to achieve plans or goals and skills in time management?

CHARACTER

Is the person you're discipling displaying...

- Godly character and a longing to do what is right?
- Faithfulness in the little things?
- Loyalty and freedom from bitterness or resentment?
- Servanthood?
- Submission to Godly authority?
- A good attitude in work, school, family?
- Self-motivation and ability to use his/her time wisely?

WITNESSING

- Does the person you're discipling understand the importance of reaching out to his/her unsaved friends and family, as being the most effective form of evangelism?
- Do they understand how to share their faith?
- Can they share the plan of salvation and help someone to make a decision to follow Christ?
- Can they share their testimony?
- Do they pray and ask God for opportunities to witness? Do they understand the leading of the Holy Spirit? Do they understand the importance of planting seeds? (1 Corinthians 3:6)

VICTORY OVER SIN

- Does the person you're discipling have an area of sin they are struggling with?
- Do they have consistent accountability?
- Are they open and transparent?
- Do they understand grace as being divine enablement for overcoming sin? (Titus 2:11)
- Are they free from condemnation?
- Do they understand righteousness?
- Have they studied the Bible in this area of sin to bring truth and freedom to their soul?

HEALING AND DELIVERANCE

- Have you prayed with the person to break any curses over their life?
- Have you prayed for healing and deliverance from past hurts and areas of bondage in their life?
- Has the person been through Experiencing Spiritual Freedom (ESF)?

LEARNING TO BE LED BY THE SPIRIT

Does the person you're discipling...

- Know how to recognize and discern God speaking to them?
- Know how to receive God's Word from his/her pastor or brother or sister?
- Recognize God leading them through the desires of their heart as they fully submit to God's will?
- Recognize when the Holy Spirit is leading them and when the Holy Spirit is giving them a "check" in their spirit as discernment?

GIVING

Does the person you're discipling...

- Understand and obey God's commands of tithes and offerings?
- Know how to budget and handle their money wisely?
- Have any debt or problems with borrowing money?
- Have any financial needs that you can pray with them about and perhaps help in any way?

VARIOUS ROLES

Does the person you're discipling understand...

- If they are unmarried, God's plan for his/her life while being single and enjoying this time of undistracted devotion to the Lord? Biblical courtship and engagement?
- If a married woman, God's role for her? (Ephesians 5:22, Titus 2:3-5)
- If a married man, God's role for him? (Ephesians 5:25-29)
- If a parent, disciplining and training their children to be godly (Ephesians 6:4, Deuteronomy 6:4-8)

BEING COURTEOUS TO OTHERS

Does the person you're discipling understand the importance of acknowledging the church member's special occasions, such as...

- Birthdays
- Birth of babies
- Engagements
- Weddings
- Funerals
- Bridal or baby showers
- The death of a close relative
- Graduations
- Anniversaries

This could be in the form of a card, a phone call, a hug, a meal, a gift, or attending these events.