THE MULTIPLYING COMMUNITY

Chapter 5

Examining the calling and responsibility we are given for making disciples of all nations..

Consider how we might be more actively involved in making disciples both in our own environment and around the world.

Biblical Passages for Discussion:

Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-16:

Luke 24:46-49:

John 17, 20:21–23; Acts 1:8:

BIBLICAL TRUTH

All followers of Christ are called to devote their lives to making other disciples..

MEMORY VERSE:

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Matthew 28:19 (NIV)

CONTEXT SUMMARY

Regardless of the country in which we live, the skills we possess, the kind of education we have, or the kind of salary we make, Jesus has commanded each of us to make disciples and by doing so impact the world. Indeed, Jesus has invited us to join with Him in the surprisingly simple journey of spreading the gospel to all nations by spending our lives for the good of others and the glory of God. He was initiating a revolution, but His revolution would not revolve around the masses or the multitudes. Instead it would revolve around a few men. It would not revolve around garnering a certain position. He would intentionally shun titles, labels, plaudits, and popularity in His plan to turn the course of history upside down. All He wanted were a few men, who would think like Him, love like Him, see like Him, teach like Him, and serve like Him. All He needed was to revolutionize the hearts of a few, and they would impact the world. The plan for how our lives will impact the world for the glory of God is exactly the same—make disciples.



Ladies for Jesus Thursday Night Bible Study

Companion Book: Radical by David Platt

Chapter Five: *The Multiplying Community*Emailed: Thursday, January 12, 2012:

The questions below are ones that I obtained from some of David Platt's material. After reading them, I thought that they were perfect for our reflect section:

As a follower of Christ, what is the impact that you hope to make on this world before you leave it? Have you ever thought about that?

Has Christ's Great Commission ever made any sort of impact on you to the point that you realized that reaching out to a lost world is the heart and passion of God? If so, what decisions were made as a result?

Our lives as Christ's followers are so much more than just showing up at church every week. Jesus infused within His disciples a commission that had such a compelling force that we should immediately see that this is the reason why Christ died and why He chooses to use His disciples in His redemptive work.

We are embarking upon one of the greatest missionary eras ever. How will you use this opportunity to allow God's seed of passion to take root?

Reflecting with you, Kelly