

**“It Takes One  
to Make One”**

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Let us consider this  
text in light of three

themes:

**POWER**

**LOVE**

and

**SELF DISCIPLINE**

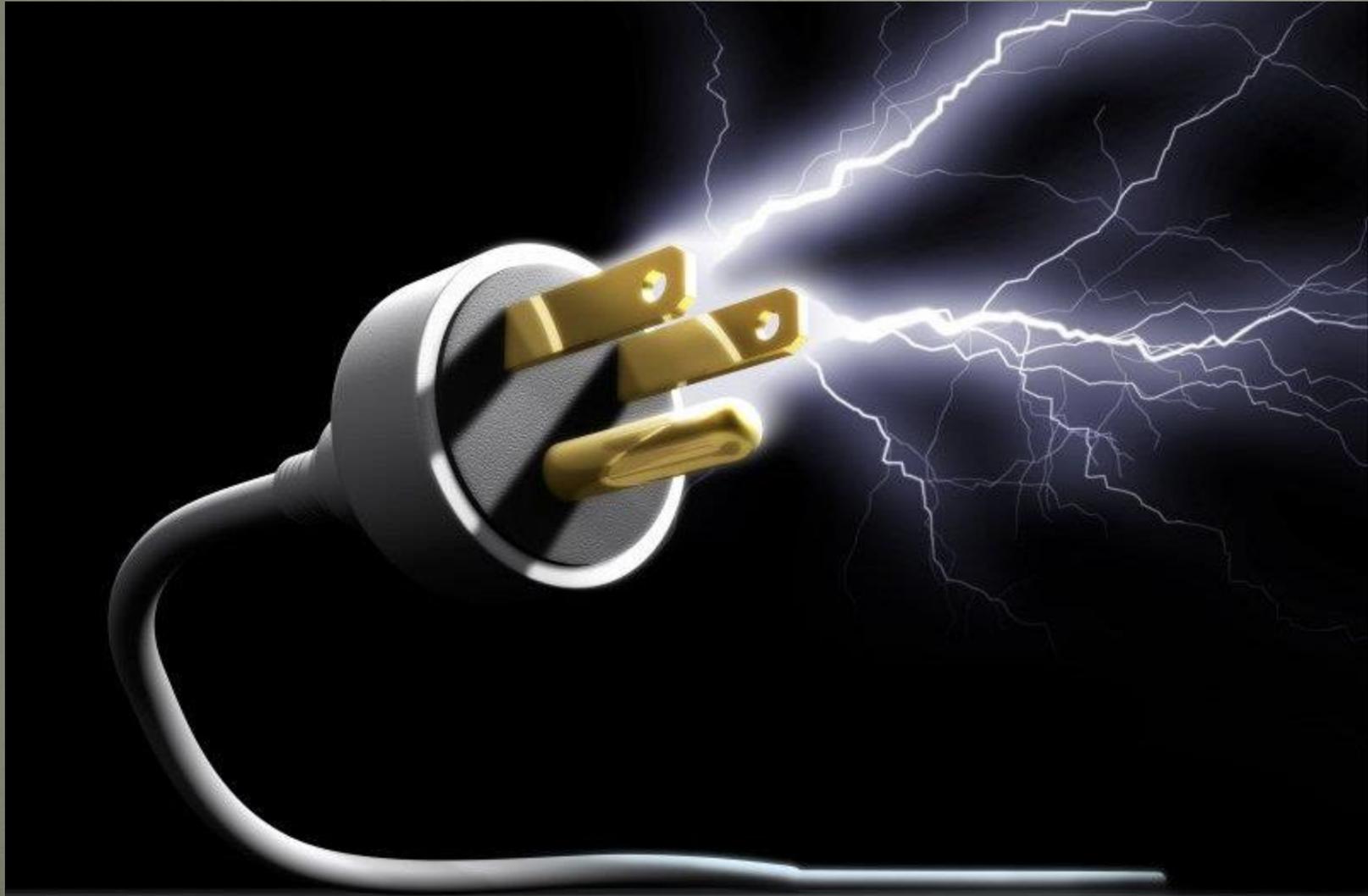
## Discipleship Defined

“Discipleship is a process in which Jesus turns the ordinary people he calls as followers into the extraordinary leaders of his Church.”

# Six Components of Discipleship

- Called
- Learners
- Ministers
- Living Examples
- Witnesses
- Leaders

# Let's look at POWER



# Power in the Disciple Making Process

- Call
- Learning
- Ministry
- Transformation
- Witness
- Leadership

# How Do You Tap Into the Power?

1. Believe it is there. Take God at His Word
2. The Power is in the Word
3. Be armed and equipped with the Word
4. Act in accordance with the Word
5. Pray for power and the proper use of that power  
(prayer is power)
6. The plug is faith in Jesus, prayer to Jesus, abiding in Jesus' Word
7. The power is the work of the Holy Spirit who is revealed in the Word

# Power in the text:

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# Key Questions

- How powerful do I feel as a disciple of Jesus?
- Do you have a way to evaluate your own personal spiritual power?
- How would I increase power?

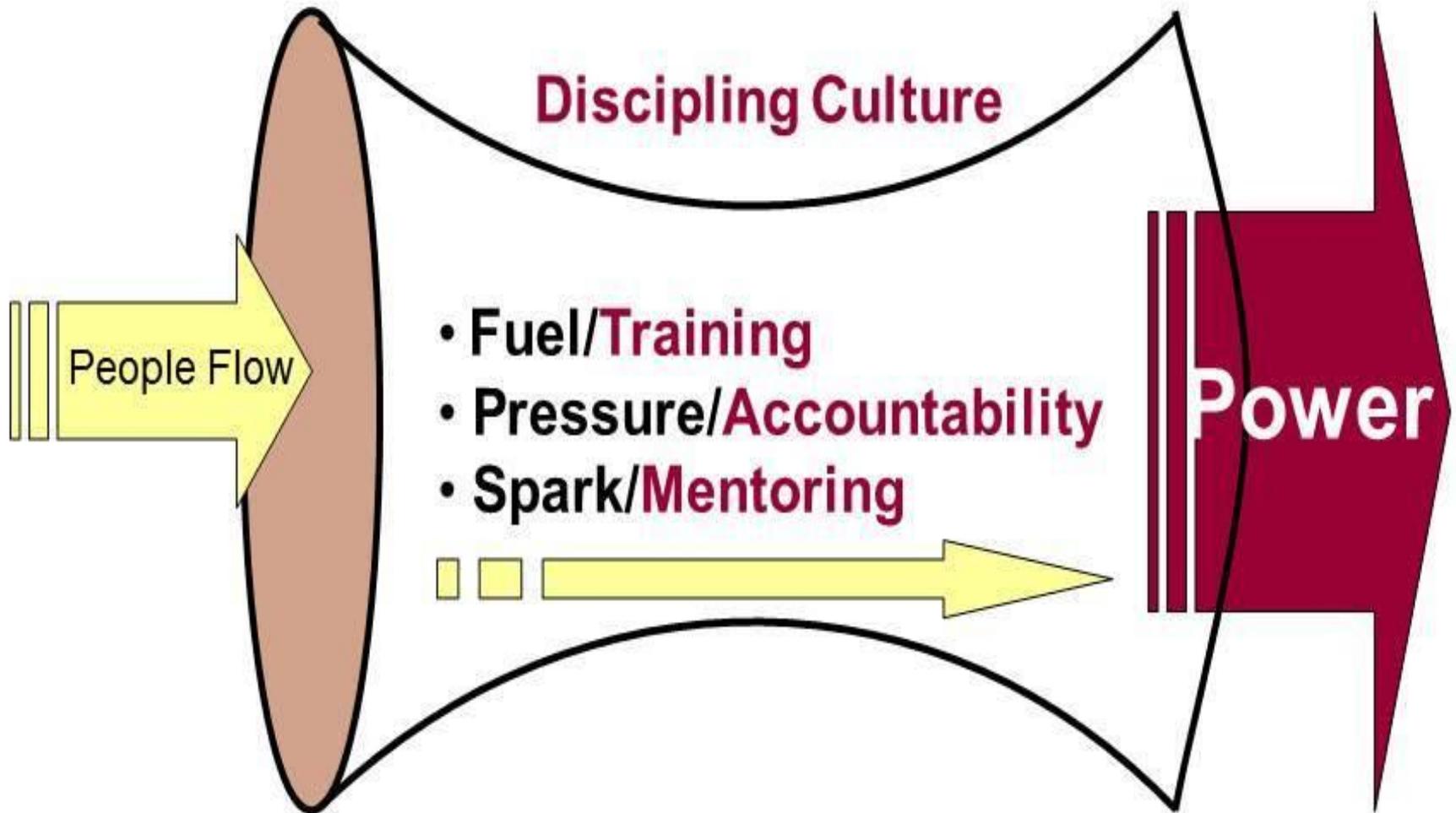


# Power Verses

- Hebrews 4:12
- Acts 1:8
- Eph. 1:18-21
- II Cor. 12:9
- I I Peter 1:3
- Eph. 3:16
  
- How do we get to this...



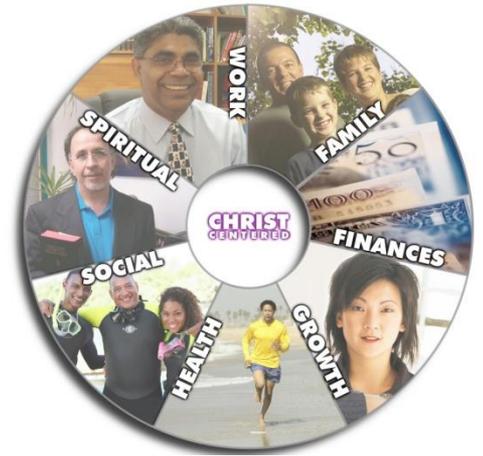
# POWER MODEL





# CURRENT REALITY

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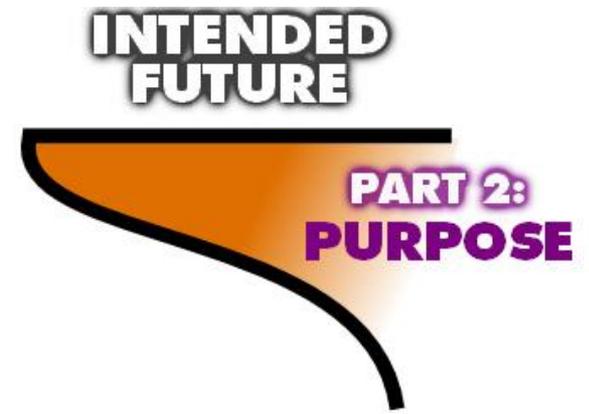
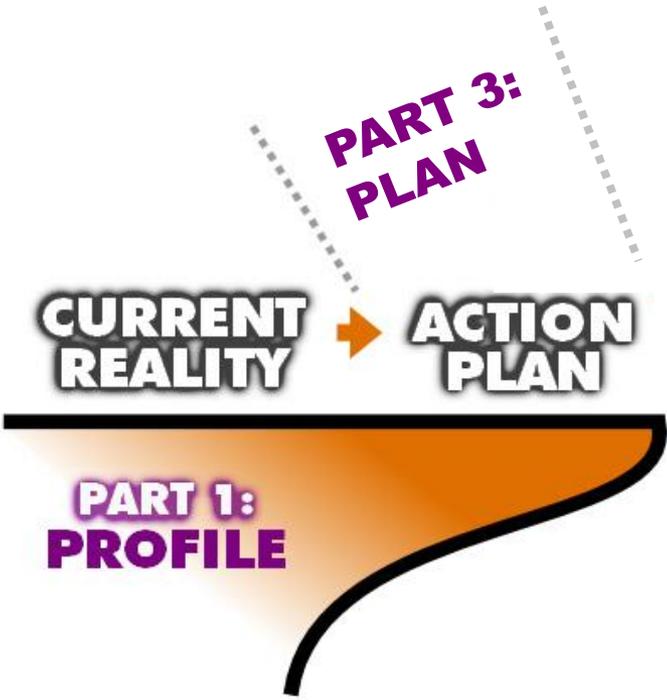


## CURRENT REALITY

**PART 1:  
PROFILE**

## INTENDED FUTURE

**PART 2:  
PURPOSE**



**CURRENT  
REALITY**



**ACTION  
PLAN**

**PART 3:  
PLAN**

**PART 4: PROGRESS**

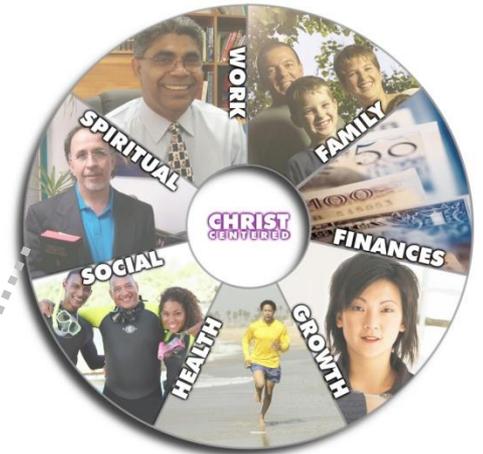
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**PART 2:  
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**COACHING THE "GAP"**



# COACHING BUDDIES

- I want each of you to find a coaching buddy. This is someone who will be able to provide pressure questions for you to transform the Word of God you heard into action. Then will be able with perseverance help you bear fruit and experience the POWER of God in your life.
- Heb. 3:13 Encourage one another day after day lest you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

- 1. Power
- 2. Love

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- “Yadah” – to know
- “Hesed”
- Covenantal love
- Love with expectations
- Problem with “Unconditional Love”
  - Not a biblical concept
  - Fundamentally flawed
  - In our culture it is love without expectations

# Old Testament

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- “Storge” – family relationships
- “Phileo” – friendships
- “Agape” – selfless love that puts the needs of another ahead of self
- Ten accomplishments of love in the according to Jesus

# **New Testament**

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- Because we are loved
- Love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength
- Love your neighbor as yourself
- Great Commandment is essential in fulfilling the Great Commission

**We love**

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## **Love in the text:**

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**Love in the Disciple-  
making process**

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DISCIPLING QUADRANT

“EMPOWERED CULTURE”

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“APATHETIC CULTURE”

**STRESSFUL QUADRANT**

“DISCOURAGED CULTURE”

**LOW INVITATION**

- What is the Lord saying to you?
- What is your current reality?
- What is the Lord's intended future for you?
- What action steps do you need to take?

# **Coaching Buddies**

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- Power
- Love
- Discipline



# Defining Discipline

- To guide a person into a state of good order so that they function in the way intended
- Training
- Instruction
- Reproof
- Warning
- Correction
- Upbringing
- Education



# Covenant Accountability

- Goal is righteousness
- Vindication and Retribution to enforce Covenant
- Not Wrath
- Discipline is a fundamental component of love
- God disciplines those He loves
- The wise seek discipline, accountability and responsible action



## Lack of Discipline

- Is Abandonment
- Destruction
- Accept it
- Be instruction by it
- There is love behind it



# What is Christian Discipline?

- Law of the Spirit of Life in Jesus Christ
- Indwelling Spirit equips us to practice self-discipline according to the law of love
- Spiritual transformation is accompanied by renewal of the mind (Rom 12:2), which brings fresh understanding of oneself, one's motivations, and one's attitudes.



# Spiritual Disciplines that promote “abiding” in Jesus

- Prayer
- Fasting
- Study of the Scripture
- Acts of charity
- Generosity

# Discipline is counter-cultural!

- Independence
- Lack of Accountability
- Superficial commitments
- Short-term relationships
- Instant gratification
- Quest for freedom without responsibility
- Obsession with self-centered indulgence.



# Discipline

- Self Discipline
- Parental Discipline
- Church Discipline
- Method for Discipline

# Discipline in text

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# Discipline and the Great Commission (Equipping)

- Evangelism focus throughout Jesus ministry and disciple-making process
- Call
- Learning
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- Living Examples – Transformation
- Witnesses
- Leaders



## Discipleship Discipline

- In your own life
- Among your own neighbors
- In the context of your relationships
- My coaching



## Good Resources

- Great books but
- Only one book that counts
- Only one theme matters to start
- Who is Jesus?
- Bible Study in your home



## Golf Illustration

- Driver – Big Event
- Irons – Programs and Small Groups
- Putting – Life to Life Discipleship
- If you can't putt you can't score!



# A Practical Approach

- Recognize the gap
- Get a name and use their name
- Find common ground (golf)
- Make an offer and keep the promise
- Raise the flag (self-revelation – who you are – follower of Jesus)



## A Practical Approach (Part II)

- Tell faith stories
- Rely on spiritual resources (GPS)
- Prioritize time and use teamwork
- Ask good questions
- Be a parent – don't abandon them



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