

# **Obstacles To Disciple Making**

**The Mission That Shapes All Other Missions**

**Galatians 1:6-9**

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**Disciples Who Make Disciples.**

# Obstacles to Making Disciples.

- Discipleship is the process of moving from(Pastor Kalinowski):



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## Steps

- **See** the people around you on a regular basis.
- **Pray** for them & surrender to be used by God in their lives
- **Live** your faith consistently and faithfully
- **Walk** close to people in genuine love- how will you serve them
- **Tell** them what Jesus is doing in you

# **Obstacles To Making Disciples**

What kind of disciples are you making?

Whose image are they being formed into?

# Obstacles To Making Disciples

- Why don't we make disciples?
- What prevents you from being a disciple who makes disciples?
- What obstacles are in your way?

# Obstacles To Making Disciples

## Obstacle #1- Wrong Gospel

How other gospels come about:

- Jesus + something else (addresses an issue our gospel doesn't)
- The something else gets elevated to the defining mark of a Christian
- Jesus gets diminished.
- The something else redefines the mission.
- Jesus slowly disappears.

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- What gospel are you following? Is there a Jesus + something else in your gospel?
- If Jesus isn't the center of your gospel, if loving God with all you have and loving your neighbor (enemy) as yourself isn't the center of your mission then you have the wrong gospel.

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- **Obstacle #2- Too busy**
- We are taught to pack our schedules full. We live according to the gospel of busyness.
- Sabbath, rest, and people are devalued in the gospel of busyness.
- This gospel prizes rushing around, efficiency, and getting a lot done.
- It's idols are caffeine, energy drinks, and colored planners.
- It's marks are living in a constant state of being tired.

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- **Obstacle #3. Fear of others**
  - Afraid of what others will think of us
  - Fear of rejection
  - Fear we will be exposed for our own lack of discipleship
  - God's love drives out fear. Our love for others drives out our own fear.
  - The gospel of fear derails our mission before it can begin

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- **Obstacle #4- A Gospel that is TOO small.**
  - The gospel is only about confronting people with sin/hell and death and how to get to heaven when you die.
  - Because our Gospel is largely about how to get to heaven it offers little good news for life today.
  - In absence of a lived gospel that helps us today we start following other gospels that offer solutions for the here and now.

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- The Good News of Jesus is good for all people, for every question, struggle, and longing we have.
- It is good news for our marriages, our jobs, our identity, our finances, our loneliness, our bitterness, our anger, our failures- Everything.
- Can you articulate the Good News of the Gospel for all people, for all aspects of your life, and for all the questions you yourself have?

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- What kind of disciples are you making?
- Which obstacle looms largest for you today?
  - Wrong gospel?
  - Too busy
  - Fear of others
  - Gospel is too small
- What changes will you make to be a disciple who makes disciples this week? (answering and doing this is what discipleship looks like)

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