

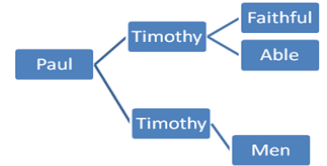
Is Jesus calling people to be disciples, make disciples, to bear much fruit... today?

Matt.4:19, "Come, follow Me, I will make you fishers of men." They dropped nets and followed Him...

Matt. 28:18-20..go therefore, **make disciples**, teaching them (how) to obey..

**Luke 8:15** ...good soil: **noble, good heart**, hear and retain Word, perseverance, produce crop, 100X  
 John 15:8 This is to My Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

**John 15:16 I have appointed you to bear much fruit, fruit that remains.**



**FRUIT THAT REMAINS, yesterday, today, tomorrow**

**God worked mightily at CCC National Staff Training  
 He encouraged us by reminding us of how He has worked.**

We heard reports of His work from all around the world.

I was encouraged by people who were students in our CCC ministries like Joe K, Buffalo, NY, 1974, Joe now directs a city ministry in NY, NY.

I saw others from NMU/MTU,1975-78, U.WI-Eau Claire,1978-82, and Grand Rapids,1982- now.

Ross O. was at Counselor Equipping we provided in 2004. Now he is on CCC staff at La Crosse, WI.

God is bearing fruit much through them as CCC staff and other ministries, here, and all around the world.



Joe K.



Ross O.

**He challenged us to trust Him for how he WILL work.**

Speakers and seminars directed our focus on His word, His Spirit, His mission. Our hearts were tuned to Him, and our ministry skills were sharpened. This was my turn to be **stirred up, encouraged, and coached.**

**God is working mightily here and now**

God stirred **30 men** to take a "Destined" book when I spoke at Ada Bible Church's Men's BBQ last week.

They are **hungry to learn** how to grow and help others grow. One of them said, "I know lots of religious stuff, have led groups, been in groups... But I need to learn how to share the most important things really clearly. **Where does a guy like me go for help?**"

"Maximizing Discipleship is exactly what I need! ...the timing of this makes it obvious to me that **this is a God thing.** He wants me there. My desire is to change from being a busy man doing "God stuff" to a godly man who reflects my Lord in everything I do."

Another guy wrote, "I prayed, **'Lord could I please meet someone** who could take me to the next place on this journey to be Your man?'. Then I find out that you (Kurt) are doing this training at Calvary and that it's your passion to **empower guys into impactful mentoring relationships.** I walked back to the truck and thought, **'Lord You're the BOMB!'**"

**23 guys (total) attended the Maximizing Discipleship Equipping 9/22, 6 am, and 9/23, 6:30 pm**

**Follow ME, I will make you fishers of men; "holy salmon!", Dan Keating → "Jeff"**

As a premier Charter Captain out of Chicago, Dan Keating has taught me and many others how to catch more fish in Lake Michigan. His books and DVD's also invite others to discover Jesus Christ. Dan has been **asking me to help him fish for men more effectively.** He recently wrote about a client who wanted to know more about Christ. "**holy salmon!** This guy was so interested... I remembered some of the things you shared with me... I was able to explain to him more clearly... and he is close to receiving Christ..." Dan and I invited "Jeff" to the Men's Breakfast at Calvary Church last week. "**Jeff**" **greatly motivated the men** there by telling them of **his eagerness to know more about Christ**, if only someone would explain it to him. Dan wants to visit here to learn more about fishing for men and making disciples. We are also praying about an outreach in Jan. or Feb. 2010.



Dan, "Jeff"  
 "holy salmon"

**PLEASE PRAY FOR WHAT GOD WILL DO TOMORROW:**

- Maximizing Discipleship**, How can we "make disciples" who multiply 100X?  
 9/22-10/28, Tuesdays, 6-7:15 am, and Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm, @ Calvary Church
- Survival/Adventure**, Equipping facilitators to teach... Tues/Wed. 11/3 - 12/16  
 Pray these two courses will be powerful and transferable. They require lots of preparation and formatting. But they will be well worth it as God uses them to multiply through the generations.
- People **mentoring** others, or **beginning** the process, powerful **partnerships** with churches.
- Outreach**: personal, powerful, spontaneous, planned, good follow up
- Kelly, Rosa, David**; God's protection and provisions, belonging and encouragement.
- Kurt C and Carrie**: wisdom, fruit, as they work on their home and prepare for future ministry
- Oct. 5-8 Ginger** and other women **travel** to U.P. to **pray** for key areas of influence.
- Overflowing resources**; for needed training tools, books, medical: Physical Therapy: \$1,800; for ministry tools, \$1,700; tests, treatments for Ginger, \$2,600; MRI's, Phys. Ther. for Kurt
- Challenges and changes**: As we pursue these great opportunities, we are challenged by:  
 -**Weariness** with health and other difficulties, Kurt's Aug. 3 shoulder injury has set him back in many areas. It is requiring a lot of treatment and time, adding to his Lyme disease and Ginger's health challenges. The many changes in plans for ministry and relationships the last 8 weeks, the expenses, and the need for more support, leave him fighting discouragement.  
 -**Spiritual Warfare**. Beyond the ordinary challenges of life, it seems the enemy has intensified his resistance. Since our inspirational Staff Training, and upgrading our equipping for more fruitful leaders, we have faced increased doubts, conflicts, and fears, inside us, and around us...



Rosa, Ginger, David, Kurt  
 s'mores for the next generation

**10. FAITH.** Challenges reveal the treasure of the faith principle: **Faith is choosing to live according to God's word regardless of emotions, circumstances, and cultural trends. God can bring good things out of all of them.**

**Example 1.** The physical therapy that started for my shoulder injury has revealed other areas damaged by Lyme Disease.

Some day these other joints and tissues can be treated for increased mobility. **Example 2.** When we minister to people, they say, "We can trust you... you are honest about your own challenges, doubts, fears. We see how God works in your lives."

Can you see why we so appreciate your prayers and support?

We can extend ourselves to the max, because you are sacrificing to pray for us and help provide for our needs.

30 men, Dan and "Jeff", 23 men, many others, here, and around the world, all thank you for helping them know Jesus, and share Him. Our family thanks you. You help us in so many ways,

We often thank God for you. *Kurt and Ginger*

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