

10 Things We Learned in Disciple-Making During the COVID-19 Crisis

1. Disciple-making and evangelism are not at odds.
2. Everything in your church is a component of disciple-making to differing degrees; everything communicates.
3. Disciple-making is about your people *living* and *multiplying* the gospel in their spheres of influence and beyond.
4. Disciple-making requires core attributes that you want to see in the lives of your people (email Lance Crowell for some sample lists of these lcrowell@sbtexas.com).
5. Disciple-making affects all of the programming of your church.
6. Create natural on-ramps and off-amps for disciple-making once you get started.
7. COVID-19 has created some difficulties for meetings but it has not stopped the ability for groups to grow or develop.
8. The combining of some of the spiritual attributes of your system with an event or difficulty deepens the depths of the value for your people.
9. How would I start making disciples?
 - On your knees - prayer
 - Core group - staff, converts, new people to church, your local community
 - Clear understanding of what you want to see accomplished - what is effective
 - What is the curriculum that you will use? It may change but just start – I can help with that!
 - When they are ready to do the same in someone else's life
 - Launch them out to go and do the same
10. **Notice: How not to start making disciples**
 - Preach about it
 - Initiate a program - let people sign up
 - Change all the things you do - create a system
 - Call yourself a disciple-making church – change in language
 - Make it a very extensive process