

Initial Discipleship Lesson #7:

Give

Looking Back

Care: Share a high and a low from this past week.

Worship: pray for one another related to the above highs and lows.

Loving Accountability:

Following: How did you do at accomplishing last week's following goal? The previous weeks'?

Fishing: Has the Lord opened up opportunities for you to train someone? What about sharing the gospel? Who got to share the gospel & did any of us see the Lord save someone?

Vision: Describe through image, story, or lesson, what God can do in and/or through believers to impact lostness and expand God's Kingdom.

Looking Up

New Lesson

Describe the practice of the New Testament Church (Acts 2:37-47): v.45-46

Read the command to Give from Luke 6:38

Share the story of The Widow's Offering found in Mark 12:41-44 using your own words

Retell the story in pairs using our own words.

Read the story from Mark 12:41-44 (2x if possible using different translations)

Discuss the story using the SPACE MAP Bible Discovery questions:

S - Scripture, **P** - Promises or Principles, **A** - Attributes of God, **C** - Commands, **E** - Examples, **M** - Main Point, **A** - Applications, **P** - Possible Situations

Explore More:

1. What should we give to God? *Our money, time and our lives.*

(There are 3 types of monetary giving - the tithe, freewill offering and alms (giving to the poor). The tithe is 10% of your income.)

2. What is the purpose of the tithe according to Deut. 14:22-23?

That we may learn to fear the Lord always.

Also consider the promise in Malachi 3:8-12 and the challenge in Matthew 23:23

3. How do we give to God according to 2 Cor. 9:6-7 and Matt. 6:1-4?

Generously, cheerfully, and not under compulsion. Secretly, not for recognition.

4. Who do we give to according to Acts 4:34-35 and 2 Cor. 9?

The church gave to all who had need.

To a local church.

Looking Ahead

Practice: practice telling the story in the above lesson or a discipleship tool you've learned so far.

Set Goals:

Following: How has today's lesson affected your relationship with God? Based on today's lesson how will it affect how you love and obey Him?

Fishing: Who will you share the gospel with this week? When will you do it? Update your name list/map.

Pray: Ask our Heavenly Father for the faith and power to obey Him this week in the above goals. Pray for one another, for their friends who are far from God - specifically, that they will choose to follow Jesus and make disciples.