

*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.*

*Matthew 28:19-20*



# Disciple Makers





# **O**BEDIENCE

**“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. Therefore, anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.**

**Matthew 5:17-19**

# **O**BEDIENCE

**This is the obedience factor that goes beyond improving our game or teaching tricks as we don't just provide information, it comes with application to put the teaching into action**



**Coupled with accountability and responsibility to use that information in our lives to be more like Christ**

# O BEDIENCE



**Remembering the accountability and responsibility must be wrapped in mercy and grace for when obedience is not achieved.**

**But even mercy and grace cannot allow us to ignore obedience to God's commands.**



# WHAT TO TEACH?

**Jesus said disciple making teaching should be focused on his commands that he shared with his disciples.**

**What are the “commands” of Jesus?**

**Keep in mind we only have the things that were written down.  
(John 21:25)**



# WHAT TO TEACH?

**Jesus did say the Old Testament stuff comes into play somewhere**

**Even with advanced modern day research tools learning everything Jesus taught seems impossible let alone put them into practice.**

**The good news is we are not the first people to struggle with the idea of obedience.**





# KEEPING THE COMMANDS

**“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”**



**Matthew 22:36-38**

# KEEPING THE COMMANDS



**He blended Deuteronomy 6:5 and Leviticus 19:18 and in so doing he summarized all 10 commandments given to Moses plus all the prophets**

**However, at the same time he laid a simple foundation for what it means to be an obedient Christ following disciple**



# KEEPING THE COMMANDS

**Make your relationship with God the priority of your life -- Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.**

**“Follow Me!”**

**When Jesus made the statement, he did say strength, mind, heart and soul.**

**Deuteronomy 6:5**



# KEEPING THE COMMANDS

**He added mind**

**I think that is important  
because obedience  
begins with having  
the correct mindset.**

**Being obedient is something  
I must think about not just react and do.**



# KEEPING THE COMMANDS

Obedience is not an in the moment feeling but a thought-out plan

I do not obey because I want to be spiritual but because I have decided I want this relationship.



**“All”  
Everything  
I’ve Got**

# KEEPING THE COMMANDS

**The Community Connection: Share that relationship with your “neighbors” so they too may follow**

**“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.”**

**Leviticus 19:18**



# KEEPING THE COMMANDS

**Commands that center around forgiveness and mercy tell us on how to live with and love our neighbors**

## **Share Your Faith**

**In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.**



**Matthew 5:16**

# WHO IS SUPPOSED TO BE TAUGHT?

**Everybody who has declared  
themselves a follower of Christ**

**We cannot expect obedience to  
Jesus' commands from anybody  
that does not claim him as Lord**



**Many times, we have this completely  
backwards, we move on to teaching them  
obey then accept (1 Corinthians 2:14)**



# WHO IS SUPPOSED TO BE TAUGHT?

**You do not become a follower by learning to follow under your own power and authority**

**If we are determined to teach obedience without acceptance, then we are destined to teach religion not relationship**

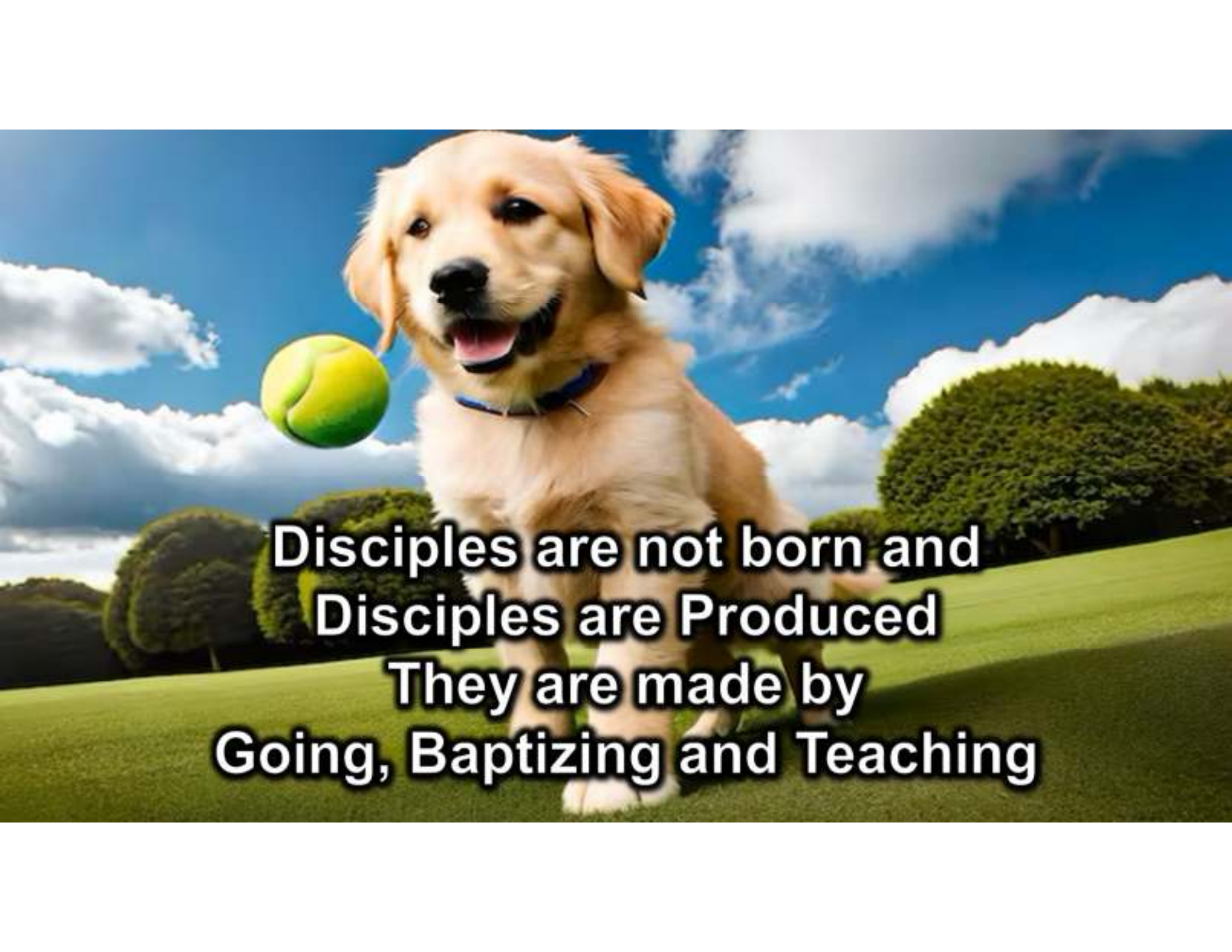


# WHO IS SUPPOSED TO BE TAUGHT?

**If we are unwilling to provide application over just information, then we will continue to mislead and misdirect**



**If we are overlooking the idea of obedience through accountability, then we will continue to just try to improve our game and teach tricks**



**Disciples are not born and  
Disciples are Produced  
They are made by  
Going, Baptizing and Teaching**



**DISCIPLE MAKER?**

**Go, Baptize and Teach**