Lesson #13 The Power of Multiplication Evangelism

**1. Multiplication versus Addition**

 A If I were to win one person to Jesus every week for the next 15 years (52 times 15) **= 728,** I would have been used to save.

 or

 If I were to win one person to Jesus a day for the next 15 years (365 TIMES 15) = **5,110, people** would be saved.

 **BUT**

B. If I were to win one person and disciple him/her for next twelve months so that he/she could win and train another, at the end of 1 year there would be **2 of** us.

 Then if the two of us went out and won two more and discipled them, during the next year there would be **4** of us (doubles)

 At the end of 15 years = **32,768** strong rooted new Christian would be disciples for Christ.

 C Initially multiplication takes **a LONG** time. Our nature is to want instant success.

 D You / WE can **change** the world.

1. We don’t have **TIME** to be indifferent. We can’t keep putting off telling our family, neighbors, and friends, about Christ. Multiplication evangelism is a desperate need of the 22nd Century Church.

**II. Multiplication is not a new concept.**

 A. Multiplication was also God’s plan from the beginning. Multiply is used **18**  time in the book of Genesis. KJV

 1. To Adam and Eve:

*Gen 1:28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. (KJV)*

 2. To Noah:

*Gen 9:1 And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth. (KJV)*

 3. Many of us think we are being **fruitful** but we are not multiplying.

4. How many **new** Christians were added to the church through the service in the last ten- (10) years, the number is? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**III. It is God's method for the church.**

 A. The Church began in Acts through **addition**.

*Acts 2:41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. (NIV)*

*Acts 2:47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. (NIV)*

*Acts 5:14 Nevertheless, more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were added to their number. (NIV)*

B. There is a definite change in identifying how the church grew beginning in Chapter 6.

*Acts 6:1 And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, … (KJV)*

*Acts 6:7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith. (KJV)*

*Acts 9:31 Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied. (KJV)*

B. What the church needs now is not a better method, but a return to the basic method of the New Testament; one person discipling another. “Men are God’s methods.” "Each one should reach one."

There is a great difference between **ADDITION** and **MULTIPLICATION**

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| **ADDITION**  |   |  **MULTIPLICATION**  |
|   |  365  |   |  1  |
|   |  Save  |   |  Save & Disciple  |
|  Year (s)  |  1 New Person  |   |  1 New Person  |
|   |  **Per Day**  |  |  **Per Year**  |
|  1.00  |  365  |   |  2  |
|  2.00  |  730  |   |  4  |
|  3.00  |  1,095  |   |  8  |
|  4.00  |  1,460  |   |  16  |
|  5.00  |  1,825  |   |  32  |
|  6.00  |  2,190  |   |  64  |
|  7.00  |  2,555  |   |  128  |
|  8.00  |  2,920  |   |  256  |
|  9.00  |  3,285  |   |  512  |
|  10.00  |  3,650  |   |  1,024  |
|  11.00  |  4,015  |   |  2,048  |
|  12.00  |  4,380  |   |  4,096  |
|  13.00  |  4,745  |   |  8,192  |
|  14.00  |  5,110  |   |  16,384  |
|  15.00  |  5,475  |   |  32,768  |
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|  Insight: There is a great difference between the two.  |

F. The reason we are not leading more people to the Lord is simply because we are not TALKING about Him enough**.**