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**.**