

Courageous Disciple Makers: 4 of 5

“Serve ”

Cornerstone Church of Poway

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2023 Vision: To courageously become disciple makers – who worship Jesus, connect in community, grow in faith, serve the church, and share the message of grace & mercy in Jesus.

Therefore **go** and **make disciples** of **all nations**... **Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)**

“Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.”

1 Corinthians 11:1 (NIV) Remember Verse

We courageously become disciple makers when we:

- ❖ **Worship Jesus** In Response To God’s Grace And Mercy.
- ❖ **Connect In Community** With Grace Filled Relationships.
- ❖ **Grow In Faith** With Personal Application.
- ❖ **Serve with Grace**

Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. **Not so with you.** Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your **servant**, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave-- just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to **serve**, and to give His life as a **ransom** for many."

Matthew 20:24-28 (NIV)

A Courageous Disciple Serves With Grace Out Of Their S.H.A.P.E

1. What Are My Spiritual Gifts?

“**In His grace**, God has given us **different** gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to **prophecy**, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. If your gift is **serving** others, serve them well. If you are a **teacher**, teach well. If your gift is to **encourage** others, be encouraging. If it is **giving**, give generously. If God has given you **leadership** ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing **kindness** to others, do it gladly.”

Romans 12:6-8 (NLT2)

Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to **equip God’s people** to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-12 (NLT2)

Notes: _____

2. What Do I Have A Heart For?

“For God is working **in you**, giving you the **desire** and the **power** to do what pleases Him. Do everything **without complaining** and **arguing**, so that no one can criticize you. Live clean, innocent lives as children of God, shining like bright lights in a world full of crooked and perverse people. **Hold firmly** to the **word of life...**”

Philippians 2:13-16 (NLT2)

3. What Are My Abilities?

“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to **serve others**, faithfully **administering God's grace** in its various forms. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be **praised** through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.” **1 Peter 4:10-11 (NIV)**

Then the LORD said to Moses, “Look, I have specifically chosen Bezalel son of Uri, grandson of Hur, of the tribe of Judah. I have filled him with the Spirit of God, giving him great wisdom, ability, and expertise in all kinds of crafts. He is a master craftsman, expert in working with gold, silver, and bronze. He is skilled in engraving and mounting gemstones and in carving wood. He is a master at every craft!

Exodus 31:1-5 (NLT2)

4. Where Does My Personality Fit Best?

“Love the Lord your God with all your HEART and with all your SOUL and with all your MIND and with all your STRENGTH.” **Mark 12:30 (NIV)**

5. How Can God Use My Experiences?

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of **compassion** and the God of all comfort, who **comforts us** in all our troubles, so that we can **comfort those** in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows.” **2 Corinthians 1:3-5 (NIV)**

Notes: _____

➤ Where can you administer God's grace through your SHAPE?

Mark the Cornerstone Ministries you may be interested in:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Children | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth/Teens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visitation/Meals | <input type="checkbox"/> First Impressions | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality/Café |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women's | <input type="checkbox"/> Men's | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Media & Sound | <input type="checkbox"/> Worship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bread Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer & Celebration of Life Quilts | |

I'm interested in attending a small group:

- Wed. Co-ed 6-8PM Thurs. Co-ed 6:30-8PM
 Wed. Young Families 5:30-7PM

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[This is only a guide – select the points you want to discuss.]

Open your group with a prayer.

Icebreaker:

Share a time when you ever felt like a fish out of water doing something you were not good at?

Family Corner:

S – What are you **Spiritually** gifted to do?

H – What does your **Heart** beat passionately for?

A – What are your natural **Abilities**?

P – Where does your **Personality** fit the best?

E – What are your **Experiences**?

Read Matthew 20:20-28

What was the request?

How is God's kingdom different than the world?

Read Romans 16:1-5a

Who is Phoebe and how does Paul honor her?

Who were Priscilla and Aquila? How did they serve the church?

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1. What Are My Spiritual Gifts?

Read Romans 12:6-8, 1 Peter 4:10-12, Ephesians 4:11-12, & 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Why is it important for us to remember that we have “different” gifts?

What do you do well?

Which gift do you think you might have?

How are you using it?

2. What Do I Have A Heart For?

Read Philippians 2:13-16

What does your **Heart** beat passionately for?

Which area of ministry are you the most interested in?

What will help us stay planted in the right areas?

3. What Are My Abilities?

Read 1 Peter 4:10-11

What is an ability that you could use to help the church?

Read Exodus 31:1-5

What is an ability that you could use to help the church?

4. Where Does My Personality Fit Best?

Read Mark 12:30

How would you describe your personality?

Shy? Outgoing?

Where do you think you would like to serve? Upfront or behind the scenes?

5. How Can God Use My Experiences?

Read 2 Corinthians 1:3-5

What experiences do you have where God has been a comfort to you that you could share to be a comfort to others?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.
