

# Our Walk and Witness



Apologetics,  
Evangelism,  
and Disciple-

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and Discipleship

For we live by faith, not  
by sight. • For we live by  
faith, not by sight. • For  
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6 WEEK CLASS WITH DR. DAVID GIESLER



***The devil has a plan to blind others from seeing the truth of the Gospel.***



**The Devil also tries to distort the biblical perspective about Discipleship!**



**One of his strategies is to get you to neglect the mandate!**

**“The mandate  
must precede  
the mission.”**

**Edmund Chan, *A Certain Kind*, p. 140**



***“Abiding in Christ is the key to discipleship. It is the New Testament heart of the Old Testament mandate of ‘the way they are to walk.’ This mandate is to abide in Jesus – to be a certain kind of person, to embrace a certain kind of life.”***

**Rev. Edmund Chan. *A Certain Kind*, 113**



**The key to abiding in Christ  
is acknowledging and  
mourning our spiritual poverty.**



## **“The key is to mourn...**

A Prayer of Confession:

“Lord I realize that I am never going to be the kind of evangelist or apologist you want me to be until I not only acknowledge my spiritual poverty apart from Christ, but also actually mourn over it! Jer. 17:9 says, my heart is deceitful and full of wickedness apart from Christ. Peter said to the Lord, depart from me Lord for I am a sinful man (Lk. 5:8). God please help me to confess this daily!”

**Dr. David Geisler**



## **What Is Disciplemaking?**

**“Disciplemaking is the process of bringing people into right relationship with God, and developing them to full maturity in Christ through intentional growth strategies, that they might multiply the entire process in others also.”**

**Edmund Chan, *A Certain Kind*, p. 51**

## **What Is Disciplemaking?**

- 1. Bringing people into right relationship with God.**

**“Biblical disciplemaking starts with responsible evangelism. And, I would argue, it must rightfully set its sights upon the evangelization of the nations.”**

**Edmund Chan, A Certain Kind, p. 52**

## **What Is Disciplemaking?**

### **2. Developing them to full maturity in Christ.**

**“This is what is meant by the equipping of the Body and the edification of the saints (Eph. 4:12). This also involves restoring the wounded and the hurting.”**

## What Is Disciplemaking?

3. ...through intentional growth strategies....
4. ...so that they might multiply the entire process in others also.

**“...there is no success without successors. If I want to see how well I am doing in disciplemaking, I must look for spiritual fruit, not just in the people whom I am helping, but also in the lives of those that they help in turn. That’s spiritual multiplication.”**

## Deeper Things To Remember about Disciplemaking

**“Disciplemaking is all about a certain kind of PERSON who is radically committed to a certain kind of PURPOSE and who, through a certain kind of PROCESS, reproduces a certain kind of PRODUCT.”**

Edmund Chan, *A Certain Kind*, p. 36

# A Certain Kind of PERSON

## Three characteristics...

- “Authenticity in our worship of God,
- Brokenness in our walk with God and
- Courage in our work for God.”

## What Does That Person Look Like?

**24 But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.  
(Acts 20:24)**

# Things To Remember about Discipleship

...who is radically committed to...

- **A Certain Kind of PURPOSE**

“They see themselves impacting the world through the potential of individual changed lives. They are radically committed to the mission of Christ to ‘go make disciples’ for they see the power of spiritual multiplication.”

**Edmund Chan, *A Certain Kind*, p. 38**



# Things To Remember about Discipleship

...and who, through...

- A Certain Kind of PROCESS

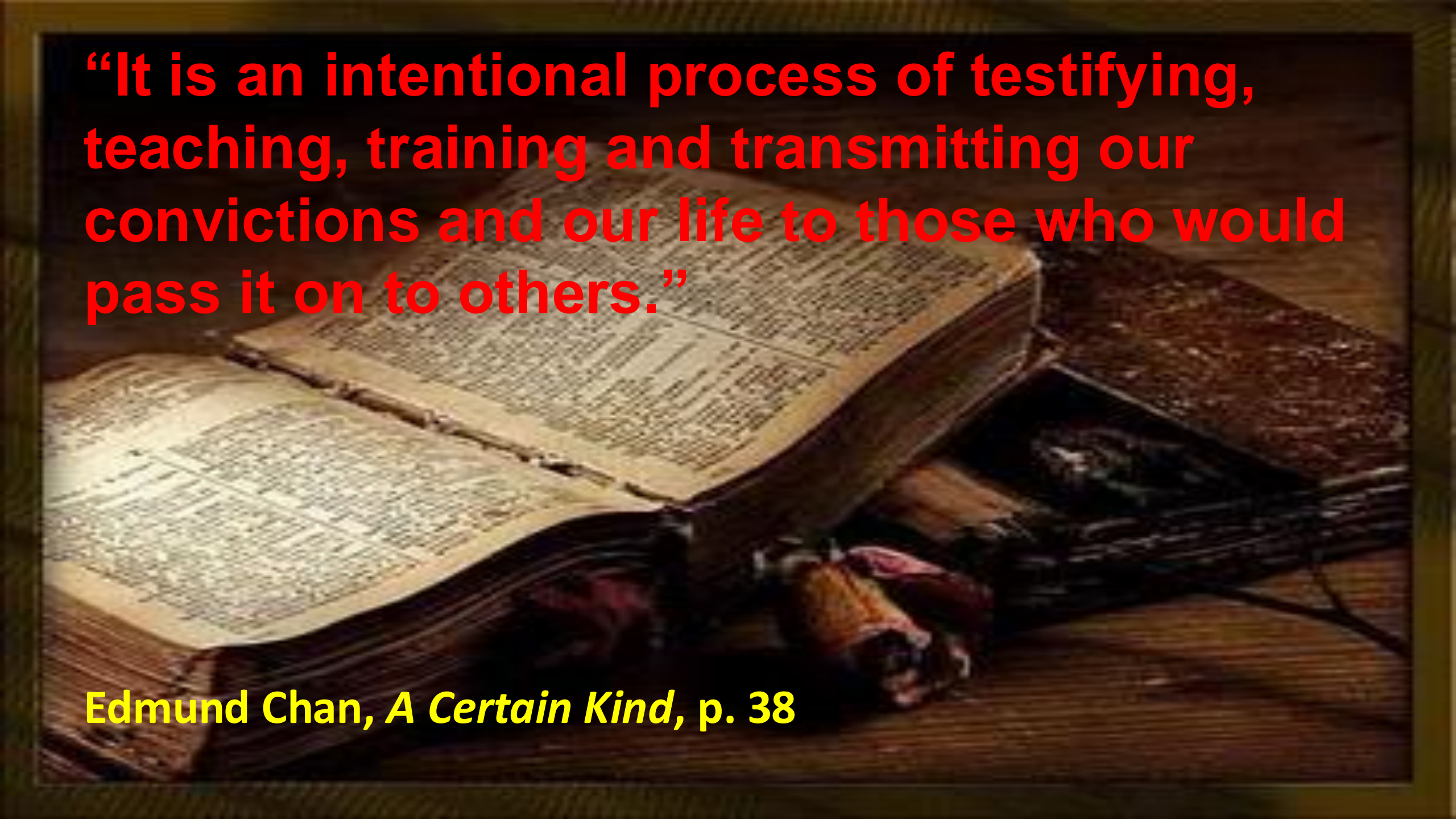
“The process of disciplemaking is life investment.”

Edmund Chan, *A Certain Kind*, p. 38

## **What Does That Process Look Like?**

**2 and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.**

**(2 Tim. 2:2)**

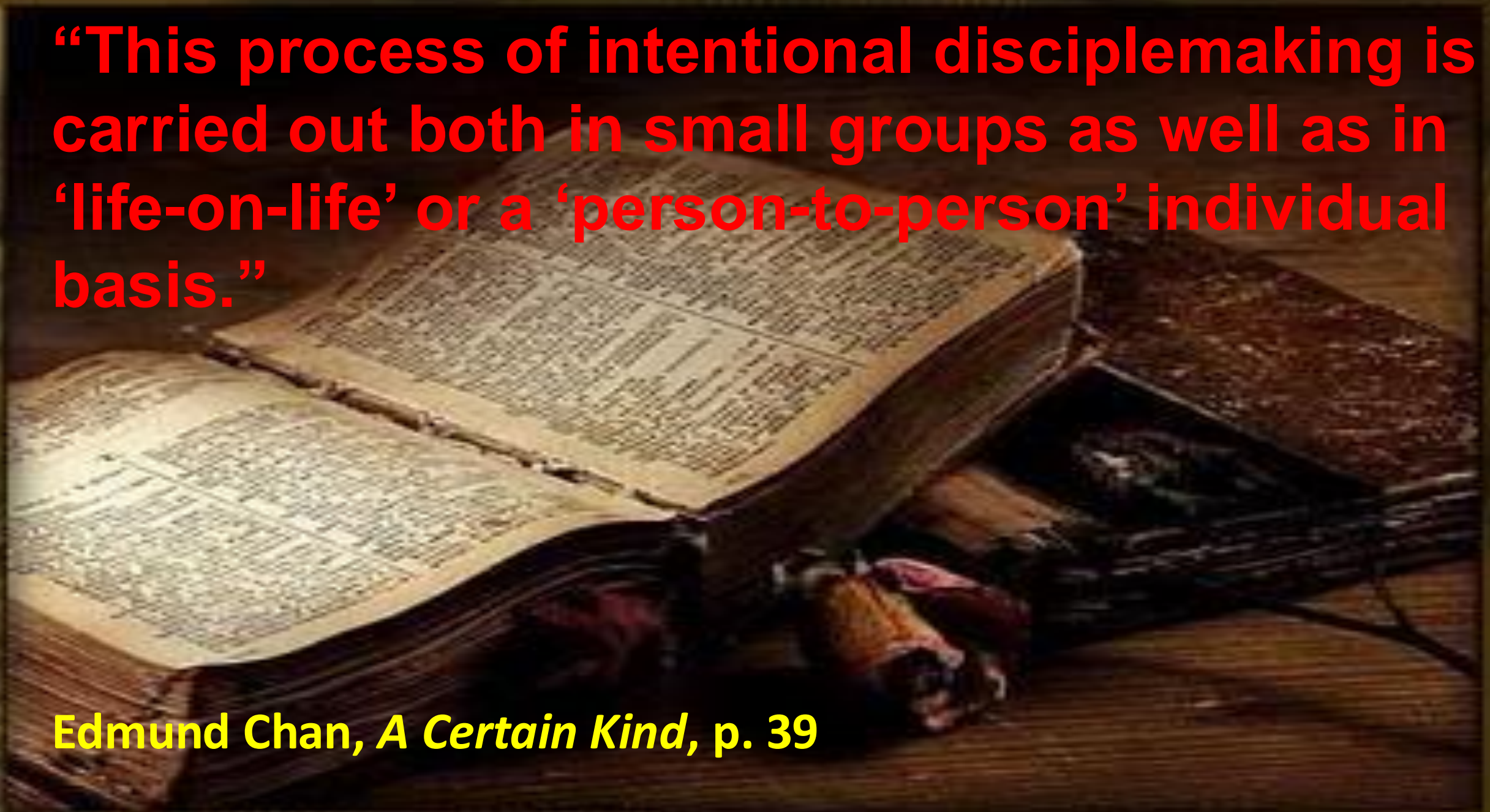
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**“It is an intentional process of testifying, teaching, training and transmitting our convictions and our life to those who would pass it on to others.”**

**Edmund Chan, *A Certain Kind*, p. 38**

**“This process of intentional disciplinemaking is carried out both in small groups as well as in ‘life-on-life’ or a ‘person-to-person’ individual basis.”**

**Edmund Chan, *A Certain Kind*, p. 39**



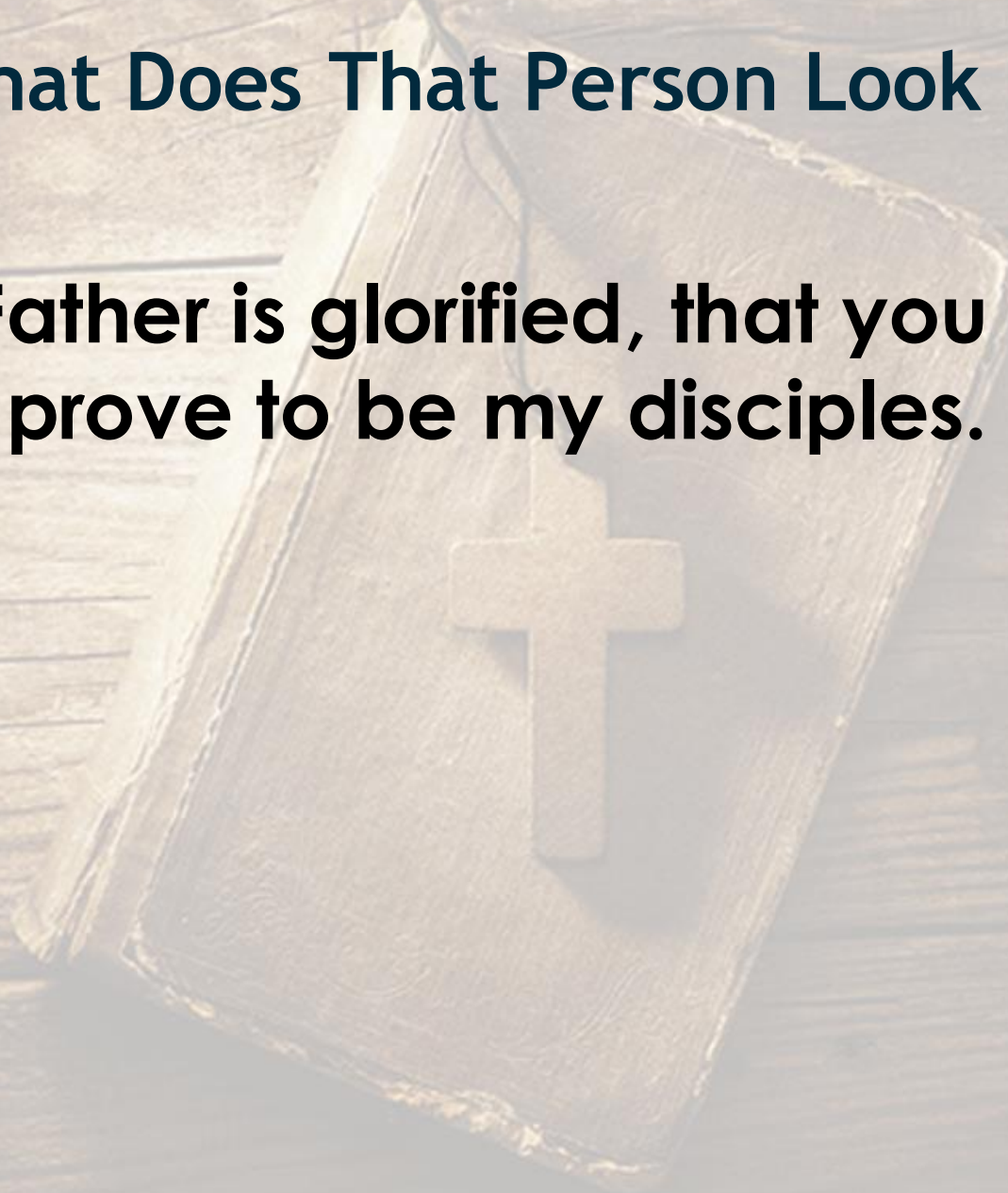
## ...REPRODUCES A Certain Kind of PRODUCT

“When the discipler commits himself or herself to becoming the right product (and reproducing that in the lives of others), things sort themselves out more readily.”

Edmund Chan, *A Certain Kind*, p. 40

## What Does That Person Look Like?

**By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. (Jn. 15:8)**



# Summary of Teaching on Discipleship

## QUESTION?

When we get to the end of our life, what should have been our larger goal all through our life?

**Answer: Our focus vertically and our focus horizontally (Our relationship with God and our relationship with others).**

## Our Vertical Focus

**Our Vertical focus should be three:**

- **Loving God (THE GREAT COMANDMENT)**
- **Knowing God better and developing greater intimacy with Him.**
- **Becoming more like Christ.**



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<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,<sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,<sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.<sup>28</sup> In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.<sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church,  
<sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body. (Eph. 5:25-30)

## Our Vertical Focus

- Knowing God better and developing greater intimacy with Him.

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.  
<sup>6</sup> The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance. <sup>7</sup> I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.<sup>[8]</sup> I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. <sup>9</sup> Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. <sup>10</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption. (Ps. 16:5-10)

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**being \*secure\* in God (v.9-10)**

- “..my flesh also dwells secure” (v.9). **Security!**

## **Our Horizontal Focus**

**Our Horizontal focus should be two:**

- **LOVING YOUR NEIGHBOR**
- **THE GREAT COMMISSION**

## **Our Vertical Focus**

**Our VERTICAL focus should be to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength with the goal of knowing Him more personally and developing greater intimacy with Him and becoming more like Christ.**

## **Our Horizontal Focus**

**Our HORIZONTAL focus should be to love our neighbor as yourselves (Mark 12:30-31) with the goal of helping them take a step closer to Christ and/or growing to be more like Christ.**

### **Remember:**

**We can only truly love our neighbors the way we are commanded, if we have first experienced God's love and are increasingly changed by His love. (1 Jn. 4:18-19)**



## How Can We Ensure That We Will Keep The Right Focus Both Vertically and Horizontally?

### 1. Remember to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

- Let's first consider what it means to walk in the power of our flesh.

<sup>1</sup> *There is* therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who<sup>l</sup> do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

<sup>3</sup> ...He condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. Rom. 8:1, 3-4 (NKJ).

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*1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— 3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. (Eph. 2:1-3)*

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- Now let's consider what it means to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh (Gal. 5:16).**

**17 For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.**



**1. Remember To Walk in the Power of the Holy Spirit in All Your Relationships.**

**25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. (Gal. 5:25-26).**

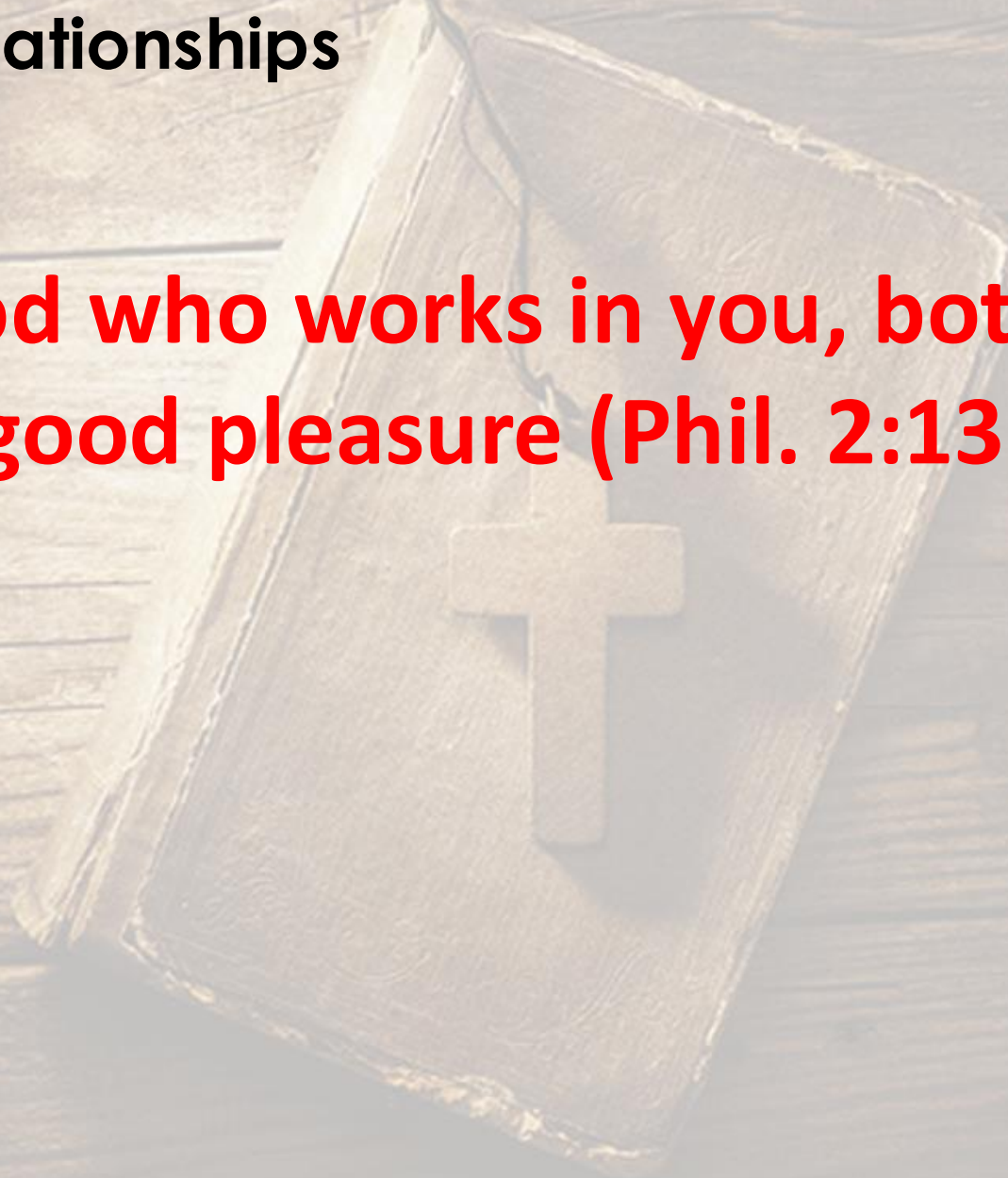
**14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God (Rom. 8:14).**

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**17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, (Eph. 5:17-19).**

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**13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure (Phil. 2:13).**



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As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.<sup>4</sup> The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips. (Ps. 16:3-4)

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4 For when Solomon was old his wives turned away his heart after other gods, and his heart was not wholly true to the Lord his God, as was the heart of David his father. 5 For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. 6 So Solomon did what was evil in the sight of the Lord and did not wholly follow the Lord, as David his father had done. 7 Then Solomon built a high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, and for Molech the abomination of the Ammonites, on the mountain east of Jerusalem. 8 And so he did for all his foreign wives, who made offerings and sacrificed to their gods. (1 Kings 11:4-8)



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<sup>19</sup> “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust<sup>[a]</sup> destroy and where thieves break in and steal,<sup>20</sup> but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.<sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matt. 6:19-21).

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2). Remember that idols can be things that we just develop an unhealthy attachment to in some way.

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Questions to ponder to determine if we have an unhealthy attachment to:

**Clear The Stage, by Jimmy Needham**

Anything I put before my God is an idol.

Anything I want with all my heart is an idol.

And anything I can't stop thinking of is an idol.

And anything that I give all my love is an idol.

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Search me, O God, and know my heart!

Try me and know my thoughts!<sup>1</sup>

<sup>24</sup> And see if there be any grievous way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting! (Ps. 139:23-24)

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Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us (Heb. 12:1).



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## 2. Remember to reject idolatry in all shapes and forms.

### Final Reminders:

- Remember that you cannot take refuge in God while “running after another!
- Choose to reject idolatry and pursue an allegiance and devotion to God - and discover that HE is our true refuge! Without this first starting point, everything else is futile.
- Remember that if God takes away the idols in our life, it’s only because He wants to replace them with something better!
- Remember also that if we worship ourselves even a little...there is no room for true worship of God!

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“We are a species that worships and if you do not access the divine, you will worship the mondial, you will worship the profane, you will worship your own identity. You will worship your belongings, you will worship the template laying before you, by a culture that wants you, no but gets you distracted and relatively dumb.” Russell Brand (English comedian, actor)

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**12** I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship (Rom. 12:1).

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***We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. (Is. 64:6)***

***<sup>5</sup> And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!” (Is. 6:5)***

***Jer. 17:9; Ps. 103:14; Matt. 5:3-4***

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“Mercy and grace flow from God’s goodness and justice. Everything God does (works) involves mercy. By creating creatures, God shows mercy. Micah 7:18 says, “Who is a God like You, who pardons iniquity and passes over the rebellious act of the remnant of His possession? He does not retain His anger forever, Because He delights in unchanging love. Luke 1:50 says, “And His mercy is upon generation after generation toward those who fear Him. God’s mercy flows from His goodness and justice.”

A Popular Survey of Bible Doctrines, Norm Geisler and Doug Potter.

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*True worship is worth-ship (Rev. 4:11)*

*“Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.” (Rev. 4:11)*

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***Note:*** *When we act rightly as followers of Christ, according to our new nature, we will want to worship God.*

**“Birds were designed to fly, ducks were designed to swim, but we were designed to worship God. Worship is the missing jewel in the crown of the Bride of Christ.”**

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*Forgive*

**“Therefore I tell you, her sins,  
which are many, are forgiven  
—for she loved much. But he  
who is forgiven little, loves little.”**

**(Luke 7:47, ESV)**

# **A Perspective To Remember**

**— The more we realize our sinful condition apart from Christ, the more we will realize the degree in which we have been forgiven.**

**— The degree in which you and I realize we have been forgiven a great debt will be the degree in which through God's power we will be able to love in return.**

**— This love will translate into having a great desire to serve God.**

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**(Prayer and Reading God's Word; Memorizing God's Word; Meditation on God's Word; Fasting and Prayer)**

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- **These Christian disciplines help us to know God better and develop greater intimacy with Him.**

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- **Reading God's Word helps us to walk closer to Christ.**

I have stored up your word in my heart,  
that I might not sin against you. (Ps. 119:11)

An open book with a bookmark, resting on a wooden surface. The book is slightly tilted, and the pages are visible. The background is a light-colored wooden surface with a visible grain.

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Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; <sup>2</sup> but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. (Ps. 1:1-2)



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### **6. Remember the important role that spiritual disciplines can play in our walk with Christ.**

- **Reading and meditating on the Word of God also provide us needed guidance in our life to enable us to choose the best path.**

Your word is a lamp to my feet  
and a light to my path. (Ps. 119:105)

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**6. Remember the important role that spiritual disciplines can play in our walk with Christ.**

- **Prayer helps us to develop greater intimacy in our relationship with God.**

<sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, (1 Thes. 5:17)

## How Can We Ensure That We Will Keep The Right Focus Both Vertically and Horizontally?

6. Remember the important role that spiritual disciplines can play in our walk with Christ.

- Prayer also helps others to grow!

**“I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.” (2 Tim. 1:3)**

How can prayer make a bigger difference in our lives?

Rev. Edmund Chan  
(Global Discipleship leader)



**“Until we are desperate that we have nothing, talking to God is merely incidental, or at best, supplemental in our lives, but it will never be fundamental.”**

***Growing Deep With God***  
**By Rev. Edmund Chan**

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**7. Remember to continually rejoice in God regardless of the circumstances.**

<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always,...<sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.  
(1 Thes. 5:16, 18)

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Right Focus Both Vertically and Horizontally?**

**7. Remember to continually rejoice in God  
regardless of the circumstances.**

**“you make known to me the path of life, in your  
presence there is fullness of joy, at your right hand  
are pleasures forevermore.” (Psalm 16:11)**

## How Can We Ensure That We Will Keep The Right Focus Both Vertically and Horizontally?

1. Remember to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.
2. Remember to reject idolatry in all shapes and forms and make loving and serving God our top priority.
3. Remember that proper worship of God can be a catalyst to help us develop a laser focus in life in both our vertical and horizontal relationships.
4. Remember not to settle for merely doing good things, but not the very best.
5. Remember that our motivation for serving God comes partly from understanding the depth of His love for us.
6. Remember the important role that spiritual disciplines can play in our walk with Christ.
7. Remember to continually rejoice in God regardless of the circumstances.

**How Can We Ensure That We Will Keep The  
Right Focus Both Vertically and Horizontally?**

**So help me God:**

**To acknowledge my spiritual poverty.**

**To reject idolatry in all shapes and form.**

**To be passionate about what you care most  
about (The Great Commission)**

**To love you with my whole being.**

**To embrace an intimacy with you.**

**And to continually rejoice in your presence.**



## **An Overview of Discipleship**

**“This is the biblical strategy: ONE alignment to One Master, for the ONE mission of changing our world! The early disciples understood it. Discipleship was to them, first and foremost, a personal relationship with Jesus as their first love and Lord of their lives. It was a discipleship of a certain kind.”**

**Edmund Chan, A Certain Kind, p. 116**

## **OUR CALLING IN LIFE**

**“Successful Christian living comes about when we turn FROM and turning TO - we turn FROM idolatry, and we turn TO God to walk in intimacy with Him. We care deeply about what breaks His heart. Then we Rejoice regardless of our circumstances.**

**Here is a simple formula: Turn FROM Ourselves AND Turn TO GOD, LOVE OTHERS, And REJOICE!  
Knowing that in every circumstance, God is there!**

# Our Walk and Witness



Apologetics,  
Evangelism,  
and Disciple-

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