

# Destino Leadership Institute

## Module 2: How to Help Fulfill the Great Commission Leader's Copy

*This session is designed to help you understand the meaning of the Great Commission. You will also learn how to help fulfill the Great Commission through spiritual multiplication in the context of a Movement.*

### **I. What is the Great Commission?**

*Matthew 28:18-20, I Thessalonians 1:5*

*The Great commission is Jesus Christ's command to make disciples of all nations so they are prepared to saturate their nations with the Good News and train their own disciples to do the same, generation after generation. Our role is to give every person on earth at least one chance to say "yes" to Jesus Christ through a prayerful, intelligent presentation of the gospel. We also desire to provide follow-up and training in order to send Christians out to reach still others with the Good News of Jesus Christ.*

*The Great Commission has been said to be the greatest plan ever given to man by the greatest person who ever lived concerning the greatest power ever revealed with the greatest promise ever recorded.*

### **II. Who gave the Great Commission and to whom was it given?**

*Col. 1:15, Col. 2:9, Heb. 1:1-3, Jn 14:6, John 2:22-26, Jn 17:18-23, Matthew 28:18-20, I Thessalonians 1:5*

*The Lord Jesus, whom God the Father gave all authority, is the One who gave the Great Commission.*

*The Great Commission was given to the apostles and to every believer in every generation. Through the Holy Spirit all believers have the power to boldly proclaim the message of God's love and forgiveness in Christ.*

### **III. When will the Great Commission be fulfilled?**

*John 3:16, II Peter 3:9 Matthew 24:14*

*The timing is up to the Lord. He has promised to empower and go with us to fulfill the Great Commission. Our Lord has given the command to go, teach, and baptize because He loves all people and is not willing that any should perish but that all come to repentance.*

### **IV. Why should we devote ourselves completely to the Great Commission being fulfilled?**

*Matthew 28:18-20, Luke 24:46-49, Colossians 1:28, John 14:6*

- 1. Because Christ commanded us to go make disciples of all nations. (Matthew 28:19)*
- 2. Because people are lost without Christ (John 14:6)*
- 3. The Holy Spirit created a hunger for God everywhere, evidenced by many who respond when the gospel is presented in the power of the Spirit.*
- 4. There is a great urgency to take the gospel to every living person who will listen before our Lord returns or before each generation dies.*

### **V. Where must we go to help fulfill the Great Commission? Acts 1:8**

- A. We must go to the whole world.*
- B. We must begin in our own "Jerusalem" (Acts 1:8). Begin right where you are: your campus, neighborhood, workplace, or wherever the Lord has you.*

### **VI. How is the Great Commission to be fulfilled?**

*2 Tim. 2:2, Romans 12:1&2, James 1:5,6*

***The Great Commission will be fulfilled through Spiritual Multiplication in the context of a Movement.***

### **I. What is Spiritual Multiplication?**

*The Apostle Paul modeled how to walk with God to a young believer named Timothy. As Paul was nearing the end of his life, his final words to Timothy were to take spiritual truth he had learned from Paul and entrust those things to faithful men who would be able to teach others also. (II Timothy 2:2)*

*When you personally introduce another person to Christ, that is called spiritual addition. 1+1.*

*When you disciple a new, teachable Christian and help them to win, build, train and send others to win, build train and send still others, THAT is spiritual multiplication.*

## **II. What is a Movement?**

*A movement is a group of multiplying disciples gathered together to make an impact greater than their individual selves. A movement works regularly to help saturate an strategic audience with the gospel to assure that the entire region hears the gospel.*

### **What a movement does.**

- 1. Connects the lost to Jesus by proclaiming the gospel boldly.*
- 2. Concentrates on building and training disciples.*
- 3. Raises up and Multiplies leaders.*
- 4. Creates Local Resources (Ideas, strategies, tools, \$, vision, people).*

### **Example of a Movement: Paul's ministry in Ephesus**

Acts 19:1. 7-10 What do we learn about Paul's ministry in Ephesus?

- 1. Paul identified with the people to whom he was ministering. He got involved in their lives.*
- 2. Paul's ministry imparted spiritual truth.*
- 3. Paul raised up leadership to carry on his work.*
- 4. Paul sacrificed for the welfare of those to whom he ministered. Ministry requires diligence and hard work, even when it is not convenient.*

### **Essential Components of a Movement**

**WIN**—Bold proclamation of the gospel within an audience so that everyone has an opportunity to say “yes” to a relationship with Christ.

**BUILD**—Helping believers grow in their faith through prayer, evangelism, bible study, training, and fellowship with other believers.



**SEND**—These growing believers are sent to new people, audiences and geographic areas to reach the lost through strategies to win, build and send still others.

*Spiritual multiplication in the context of a movement of Winning, Building and Sending is the most effective strategy in helping to fulfill Christ's Great Commission.*

*It is important to note that prayer is foundational to the effectiveness of a movement. Without dependence on the Holy Spirit through prayer we will not see lasting fruit.*

## **III. The cost and reward of involvement in the Great Commission**

*Luke 18:28-30*

Total dedication and full surrender to Christ characterized the disciples and multitudes of the other first century Christians.

*“And Peter said, ‘Behold, we have left our own homes (our own things), and followed You.’ And He said to them, ‘Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, who shall not receive may times as much at this time and in the age to come, eternal life.” (Luke 18:28-30)*

Dedication to Christ above all things, (even our closest family members) is worth all that we are and all that we do. He is worthy.

## **IV. Conclusion**

*It is our Biblical mandate to reach the world with the gospel. Our focus and source of strength is the Holy Spirit who lives in every believer. We are absolutely dependent on the Spirit to accomplish our mandate to go in to every place, make disciples and thus fulfill the Great Commission. The most effective way to reach the world with the gospel is through spiritual multiplication in the context of a movement: a group of multiplying disciples gathered together to make an impact greater than their individual selves. Dedication to a strategy of Win, Build, Send, will result in seeing the great commission fulfilled the world over.*