

# Organic Disciples



## SERMON NOTES

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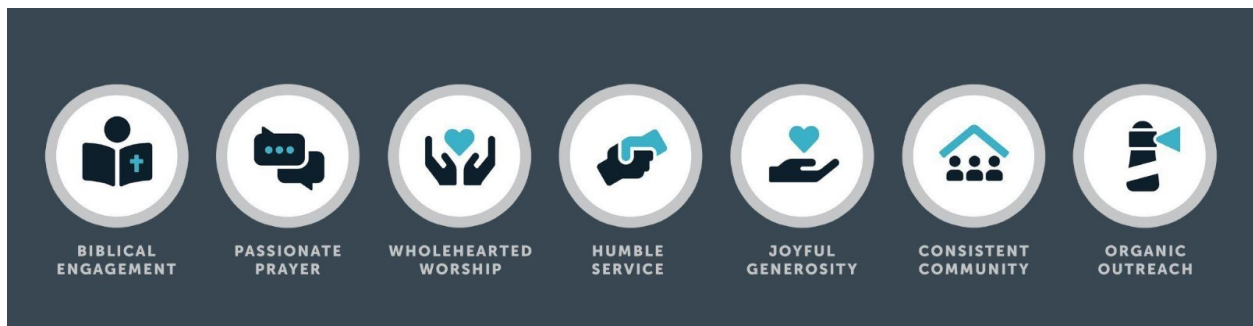
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Organic Disciples is an eight-week journey of growing in Jesus and going with Jesus.  
[Ephesians 4:13-16]

The “Big 3” questions about growing in Jesus and going with Jesus:

**1. How can I know I am \_\_\_\_\_ as a disciple (follower of Jesus)?**  
[Ephesians 4:13-16; Galatians 5:22-23]



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**2. Is discipleship bigger than “\_\_\_\_\_”?**

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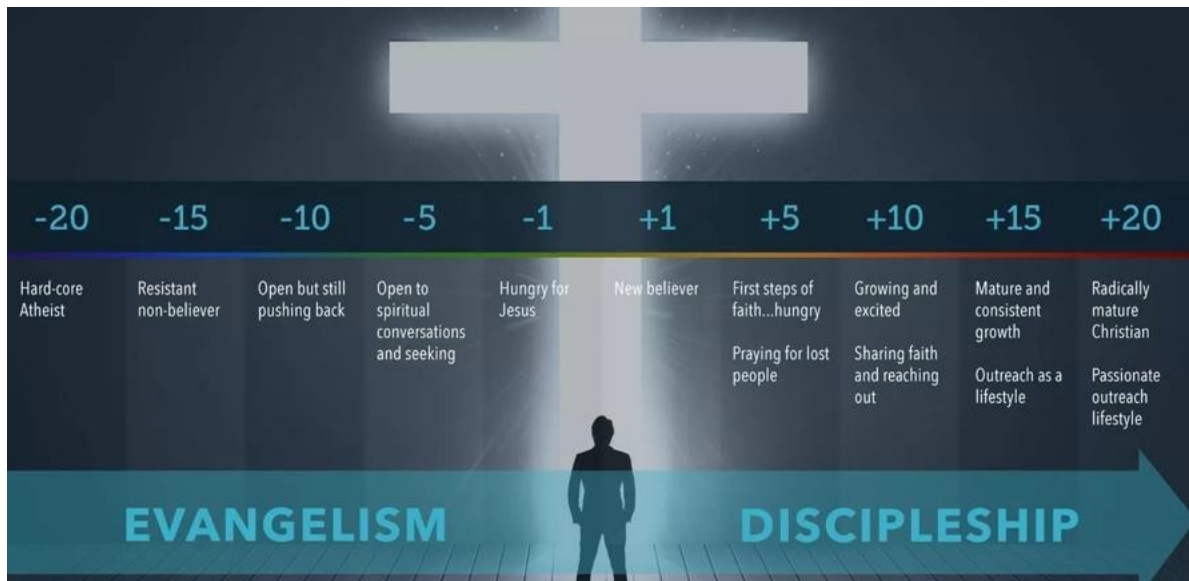


[2 Timothy 2:1-2, NIV; Psalm 78:5-7]

- The four generations:
  - Generation 1- “Paul”\*: we need a spiritual mentor.
  - Generation 2- “Timothy”\*: we are responsible for our spiritual growth.
  - Generation 3- “Reliable People”\*: We are called to invest in the journeys of others.
  - Generation 4- “Those they teach”\*: We are called to invest in others who follow Jesus.

### 3. What is the relationship between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_?

[Matthew 28:19-20]



- The Relationship of Discipleship and Evangelism
  - Evangelism and discipleship are \_\_\_\_\_.
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#### Next Step Questions:

- Have you received Jesus?
- Will you take the assessment to help yourself and Pathway?
- Will you join the Organic Disciples journey to “grow and go” with Jesus?

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## Pathway Group Discussion Questions:

**Note: 1, and 5-6 are general questions asked at Pathway weekly.**

### 1. How is God at work in and around your life?

### 2. Growing as a Disciple:

- How do you personally measure your growth as a disciple of Jesus? What indicators or "markers" do you look for in your spiritual life?
- Reflect on Galatians 5:22-23. How do the fruits of the Spirit manifest in your daily life, and how can they serve as a gauge for spiritual maturity?
- In what ways can pride and self-centeredness hinder our spiritual growth, and how can we overcome these obstacles?

### 3. Discipleship Beyond the Individual:

- How does the concept of the "four generations" in 2 Timothy 2:1-2 challenge your understanding of discipleship and the "Jesus and me" idea?
- Discuss the importance of having a spiritual mentor (Generation 1) and being a mentor to others (Generations 3 and 4). How can this multi-generational approach strengthen the church community?
- How can we balance personal spiritual growth with the responsibility to invest in the spiritual journeys of others?

### 4. The Relationship Between Discipleship and Evangelism:

- How do you understand the relationship between discipleship and evangelism as described in Matthew 28:19-20?
- Why is it important to view evangelism and discipleship as "marriage partners" rather than separate or opposing activities?
- Can you share an experience where you helped someone take a step closer to Jesus? How did this experience impact your own faith journey?

### 5. How did you answer the next step questions this week?

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- Will you join the Organic Disciples journey to “grow and go” with Jesus?
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## 6. How can we pray for you and support you this week?

**Note for life group leaders: if you need additional support or resources due to the depth of the verses and topics covered don't hesitate to reach out:**

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**December 22 – December 28, 2024**

## **FINANCIALS**

\$126,986 up 111.6% to budget for W/E 12/28/24  
\$2,020,433 up 3.7% to budget for Year to Date  
-\$29,833 Net Revenue after including other income through November 2024  
\$270,421 for Missions or 15.1% of General Giving YTD  
through November 2024

## **CONNECT**

Total Worship Attendance: 1909  
Online: 77  
TWC Attendance Sunday (including Christmas): 1721  
Kids Sunday: 111  
Students: 0

## **GROW**

Baptisms (YTD): 86  
Discipleship Groups: 0  
Salvations (YTD): 112

## **SERVE**

People Fed at Food Pantry (one day): 15  
Weekly Volunteers: 58