

HANDBOOK FOR SPIRITUAL REPRODUCTION

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CHAPTER FOUR

Conducting the Meeting

By now, you have a grasp of the basics of discipleship, how to choose a disciple, and how to decide which materials to use. Let's talk about how to prepare for your first meeting.

The most important aspect of discipleship is _____ with your disciple. You must earn the right to be heard; most people will not listen to you if they do not like or respect you.

Read the story in John 4:3-29. List the techniques that Jesus used to build a relationship with the Samaritan woman:

What are some ways you plan to build a relationship with your disciple?

Another thing to remember is that your first meeting should be a time of _____. During this time, you and your disciple should discern where your disciple is spiritually and talk about a plan of action that would enable them to grow. A good system of evaluation to use is the stages of Christianity (p. 17). Give your disciple an initial assignment in your chosen material.

End your first meeting with a time of _____. The best way to do this is to take a small card and ask your disciple to list things that they need to change in order to grow in their relationship with Christ. Make sure they list both the things that they must stop doing and the things they must begin to do. Close the meeting with prayer.

When conducting each of your following meetings, always remember to:

Build the _____

Take time for _____

Study the _____ together

Answer any _____ they have*

***Never make up an answer if you do not know it.** Tell your disciple that you do not know but will find out the answer for them.

The best way to do discipleship is to meet consistently – at the same time and place – each week. You will lose a disciple quickly if you fail to meet regularly.

As you cover the weekly material, keep in mind that your goal is to reproduce yourself through this relationship. You want to create someone who can do for someone else what you are doing for him/her. Remind yourself and your disciple of that!

CHAPTER ASSIGNMENTS

Take time now to prayerfully plan your first meeting. Write out what you plan to do:

Write out a plan for the next 12 weeks, noting what you will cover and what your goals are:

<u>Week</u>	<u>Material to Cover</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Example:	<i>I'm a Christian, Now What</i> Chapter 1	Make sure disciple knows Christ and understands baptism

Week	Material to Cover	Goal
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