A HAND BOOK ON Great commission



GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES Mathew 28:19

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- 1. What is Great Commission?
 - a. It is the last commandment of Jesus Christ
- 2. What are the references for Great Commission? Read and learn by heart.
 - a. Mark 16:15
 - b. Mark 13:10
 - c. Luke 24:47
 - d. John 20:21
 - e. Acts 1:8

3. What is the great conclusion of the Great Commission?

- a. Matthew 24:14
- b. Revelation 7:9
- c. Revelation 5:9
- d. Daniel 7:14

4. Who is a disciple? How do we make disciples?

A disciple is an obedient follower of Christ, who will be making other disciples. We make disciples by teaching them to obey everything that Jesus commanded. This includes, sharing the gospel, teaching them to obey the commandments of Jesus, and other teachings of the Bible, establishing communities of faithful disciples who worship the Lord as a church, guided by the Holy spirit.

5. What will it look like when the task of the great commission is completed?

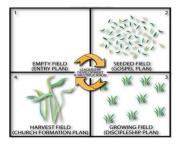
- a. No person Left. (2 Peter 3:9, 1 Timothy 2:4)
- b. No place Left. (Romans 15:19-23)
- c. No language Left (Daniel 7:14)
- d. No people group left (Mathew 28:19)

6. What will it take to finish the Great Commission task?

- a. Breakthrough prayer 1 Chronicles 14:11 (Bal-Perazim Prayer)
- b. Working together Unity (John 17: 11, Luke 5:7)
- c. Movements of movements (Acts 6:7, Acts 9:31)

7. What is 4 Field approach to fulfilling the Great Commission? *Read Mark 4:26-29*

a. What are the 4 fields?



- Empty field- Prepare the field Gospel Preparation (Pre-Evangelism)
- Seeded field- Share the gospel Gospel Exposure (Evangelism)
- Growing field- Discipleship (Gospel Maturity)

• Mature field – Church formation (Gospel Impact)

b. What will a farmer do after harvesting his field?

- i) Select best seeds for re-sowing (Leadership Training)
- ii) Multiplication of seeds Gospel Multiplication (Gospel movements)
- c. 9 steps of vision to completion of the great commission.



8. What are empty fields?

- a) Empty people (Friends, Relatives, Associates, Neighbours)
- b) Empty places (Villages, Places, Neighbourhood)

9. How do we prepare empty fields?

- a. **OPEN prayer** Open hearts, Open homes, Open eyes, Open ears, Open heaven
- b. **BLESS prayer** Pray for Body, Labour, Emotions, Social life, and Spiritual life.

10. Prepare the hearts of people by FRAN prayer.

a. What is FRAN prayer?

Friends, Relatives. Associates, Neighbours (write the names of 5 or more friends relatives associates or neighbours who are not believers. Start praying open prayer and bless prayer. Prepare empty places without a gathering by prayer and prayer walk.



11. What is prayer walk and how can we do it?

Prayer walking is a type of intercessory prayer that involves walking to a nearby area or a particular place while praying. As you prayer walk, your prayers extend beyond your own concerns, focusing directly on the needs of the place and opening yourself to see them with God's eyes and heart. God will open doors after you do prayer walking. Prayer walk will also help you to understand your field better both opportunities and challenges.

12. How do I do prayer walking?

- a. Form a team of two or more people.
- b. Be spiritually prepared, open to the voice of the Holy Spirit.
- c. Be open to observe the needs of the place and people.
- d. Pray Open Prayer (Doors, Eyes, Ears , Hearts , Heaven)
- e. Proclaim Peace and Blessings on the place and people.
- f. Pray for the men of peace and look for them.

13. How should we sow the seeds? How should I share the gospel?

a. What should I do after praying for my FRAN.

- Listen to their story, their problems, their life situations, and their challenges.
- Share your story how Jesus has helped you in terms of difficulties and challenges.
- Share God's story or Jesus' story appropriate to the situation.

b. What is the seed?

The seed is the gospel of Jesus Christ.

c. What is the gospel?

"2000 years ago, according to the scriptures, God sent Jesus into this world. He lived a sinless life, he healed the lame, healed the blind, He healed the deaf and the lepers, He raised the dead. He was crucified on the cross of Calvary, buried, and rose again on the 3rd day. He ascended into heaven and will come back as He promised. In His name, there is forgiveness of sin and salvation".

d. Who can all share the gospel?

All born again believers are qualified and must be the Sowers of the gospel. (Mark 1:17)

e. When should a new believer start sharing the gospel or sharing his faith?

Start immediately like the following people in the stories.

• The story of the Samaritan woman (John 4:5-30)

- The story of the demon possessed man (Mark 5:1-20)
- The story of the deaf and dumb (Mark 7:31-37)

f. To whom can I share the gospel?

Share the gospel with your Friends, Relatives, Associates, Neighbours and anyone else as the Holy Spirit leads after preparing the hearts with prayer.

14. How should I prepare my personal testimony or story?

Write down or record the answers to the following questions:

- **a.** What was your life before receiving Jesus Christ? (Sin, Sickness, troubles, poverty, demon possession, addictions etc and its impact on your life)
- b. How did you receive Jesus in your life?
 - Who told you about Jesus?
 - When did you take the decision?
 - Describe the circumstances.
- c. What happened after you received Jesus into your life?
 - Healing, deliverance, sins forgiven, change in habits, peace etc.
 - Becoming an obedient disciple of Christ.
- d. Begin to share your story with your FRAN; modify as needed.

15. What are some of the sample questions you can ask while sharing the gospel?

- a. Are you sure you are born again?
- b. What will happen to you if you die today?
- c. Where will you spend your eternity? In heaven or in hell?

16. How can a person be saved?

- a. If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9)
- b. But as many as **received Him (Jesus)**, to them gave He the power to become the children of God, even to them that believe on his name. (John 1:12)

17. What are some of the sample statements that you can share while sharing the gospel?

- a. Jesus loves you.
- b. Jesus cares for you
- c. Trust in Jesus
- d. Jesus can save you.
- e. Jesus can heal you.
- f. Jesus will come back again.
- g. Be prepared for the coming of Jesus.
- h. Jesus can give you peace.
- i. Jesus can forgive your sins.
- j. Jesus can change your life.

18. How can I lead someone to the salvation experience?

- a. Share the gospel clearly in simple language or words.
- **b.** Give an invitation to receive Jesus after Gospel Presentation
- c. Sample questions for gospel invitation.
 - Would you like to receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior?
 - If no, offer a prayer BLESS prayer.
 - If yes, lead him/her to the prayer of confession.

d. Sample prayer of confession

Oh Lord Jesus, I admit that I am a sinner and I have done a lot of bad things in my life. I believe that you came into this world, died for me on the cross, was buried and rose again on the 3rd day. I believe you will come back as you have promised. I believe there is salvation and forgiveness of sin in your name. Lord Jesus, come in to my life, forgive all my sins and wash me with your blood. From today onwards, I will live for you. I receive you as the Lord and Saviour of my life, In Jesus name, Amen.

19. What should I teach the new believer immediately after salvation experience? (Immediate Discipleship)

a. Give assurance of salvation

- You are a child of God. (John 1:12)
- Your sins are forgiven. (1 John 1:9)
- Your name is written in the book of life. (Rev 21:27)
- You are born again (John 3:3)
- **b.** Teach them to pray simple prayers like talking to your heavenly father.

Lord's prayer is a good model (Mathew 6:9-13)

- c. Teach them to read and study the Bible.
- *d. Teach them to witness.* Share what Jesus has done in their life immediately to their friend's relatives associates and neighbours.
- e. Encourage them to be part of a community of believers or a local church.

If there are no churches, encourage and train them to start a new church in their house.

20. What is short term discipleship? (Teaching in the first few weeks) Teach them to obey the commandments of Jesus immediately.

21. What are the seven commandments of Jesus?

Teach a Bible story to supplement while teaching the commandments in a deeper way.

- a. Repent and believe the Gospel. (Mark 1:15)
 - The Prodigal son (Luke 15:11-32)
- Be baptised in the name of the father the son and the Holy Ghost and receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit (Mark 16:16)
 - Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch (Acts 8:26-40)
- c. Love God and love your neighbours (Mathew 22: 37-39)
 - Story of the good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)
- d. Pray and study God's word regularly. (John 15:7)
 - The story of a persistent friend (Luke 11: 5 8)
- e. Take part in the Lord's table and lead a holy life and be part of a community of believers. (Luke 22:19)

• The story of the Lord's table (Luke 22: 14-23)

f. Give tithes and offerings (Acts 20:35)

- The story of the widow's mite (Luke 21:1-4)
- g. Go and make disciples. (Mathew 28:19)
 - Story of Andrew and friends (John 1: 43-50)

22. What is long term discipleship?

Making a believer strong and mature in Christ by teaching God's word both Old Testament and New Testament.

a. Begin with the teachings of apostles (Acts 2: 42-47)

- Apostle's doctrines
- o Fellowship
- Breaking of bread
- Prayer, Praise and Worship
- Signs and wonders
- Sharing with one another

b. Teachings of the Apostles (The 5 finger principles)

Personal life: Holiness, honesty,

integrity

Family life: Relationship with husband, wife, children, and parents Church life: Relationship within the church and church as a family

the church and church as a family Social life: Obey your rulers, pray for them, and bless them. Eternal life: Second coming of Jesus and life after death.



23. Discipleship through bible stories

a. What does it say?

Teach the story as a narration accurately, repeat till everyone learns to tell others. Use actions, songs, drama as needed.

b. What does it mean? Understand the meaning.

c. What should I obey?

Encourage obedience and sharing with others.

d. The sword method of understanding Bible stories.

- i. What does it say about God?
- ii. What does it say about men?
- iii. Is there a commandment to obey?
- iv. Is there a sin to avoid?
- v. Is there a promise to keep?
- vi. Is there an example to follow?
- vii. What else can I learn from the story?
- viii. Who else can I share the story with?
- 24. Teaching Bible stories/ Bible portions using discussion and **Discovery Bible studies (DBS).** A Sample discussion for bible study

groups

a. Look Back:

Personal Sharing

- What are you thankful for?
- What challenges did you face?
- Pray for one another's need and help one another. 0

Sharing last week's lesson

- What did you learn last week?
- What did you obey last week based on the lesson?
- Whom did you teach what you learned?

b. Look up:

- Read today's lesson or story. 0
- Discuss what this passage says about God, Jesus or 0 his plan.
- Use sword method for beginners. 0

c. Look forward:

- What will you obey based on today's lesson? 0
- Whom will you teach?

25. Teach the whole counsel of God. Milk to Meat Strategy (Hebrews 5:11-14)

- a. Cultivate the habit of daily bible study and prayer.
- b. Listen to the voice of God.
- c. Obey God's voice.
- d. Cultivate the habit of sharing with others what you have learnt.

26. Establishing churches

a. What is a church?

A church is a gathering of believers meeting together regularly for prayer worship, edification, sharing the good news and serving the people in the community.

b. What are the essential things that should happen in a church?

- Prayer and Fellowship
- Worship the Lord with songs and words.
- Bible reading, Bible teaching.
- Sharing of testimonies and Give to the Lord
- Praying for one another
- \circ $\;$ Share the good news and serving people in need.

c. Who are the leaders in the church?

- Apostles, Prophets, Teachers, Pastors, Evangelists (Eph 4:11-13)
- Deacons, Elders (Titus 1:5, 1 Tim 3:8)

d. How can I start a new church?

- Decide a place and time to meet regularly.
- Start simple churches with 2-3 people or more.
 "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there among them" Matthew 18:20.
- Make it a participatory gathering (1 Corinthians 14:26)
- Invite Friends, Relatives, Associates, and Neighbours.

- Disciple every member of the church to obey what Jesus taught and commanded.
- Equip every believer to be an obedient disciple and a disciple maker.
- Start new gatherings when the believers become mature disciples.

e. What model of Church can I start?

- Plant simple multiplying, reproducing, and disciple making churches like rabbits.
- Every church should be reproducing.
- Every mature disciple should be encouraged to start a new church.

27. Equipping Leaders:

a. How can I make the church into a training centre?

- Identify mature believers to be enrolled in a regular training program.
- Every New Testament church should be training centre, equipping the saints for the work of the ministry.
- Have an organised curriculum-based training program.
- Begin with once or twice a week or once a month (be flexible depending upon the availability of people and local convenience.
- Insist on obedience-based learning.
- Continue with **obedient** disciples and leaders.
- Encourage every trainee to obey and train others.
- Ask accountability questions every time when you gather.

28. What is Church Planting Movement?

A Church Planting Movement (CPM) is a rapid and exponential increase of indigenous churches, planting churches within a given people group or population segment. This is based on the principle of training others to be obedient disciples who train others to train

others to plant churches. The emphasis is on training others to train others to plant churches rather that you plant one church. **Encourage at least 4 generation of churches.**

29. What is a Disciple Making Movement?

DMM movement Disciple Making Movements (DMMs) are rapid and exponential increase in the disciples making disciples. The focus is on every believer to become an obedient, reproducing disciple. They will hear God's voice and will be committed to obey and teach others what they learn. Every disciple become a disciple maker and plant churches that will multiply. Encourage at least 4 generation of disciples.

DMM emphasizes disciples making disciples, while a CPM emphasizes churches-planting churches.

30. What is disciple making?

a. "Disciple making is – an intentional, relational, Christoriented activity, exercised by every believer, to use every opportunity to encourage and teach others to know, grow and faithfully follow Jesus. Disciple making is to be done by every believer, through every opportunity.

b. What is obedience-based discipleship?

Obedient based discipleship insists on early obedience to every one of the commandments and teachings of Jesus. *The level of maturity of a believer is decided not based on the level of his knowledge but on the degree of obedience*. Jesus taught "go and make disciples, baptize and and teach them to obey everything that I have commanded you". Therefore, every believer should be a disciple and a disciple maker.

- **31.** What will it look like when the task of the Great Commission is completed?
 - Revelation 7:9 says, "a large multitude from every nation tribe, people and language will be standing before the throne of God and worshipping him".
 - Daniel 7:14 says "people of every language worshipped him".
 - Matthew 24:14 says "this gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world as a witness to all nation and then shall the end come."

32. Simple definitions on finishing the Great Commission:

- a. No Person Left, No Place Left, No Language Left, No People Group Left
- **b.** People group, Language groups, Urban areas and Geographical units (PLUG Approach)
- **c.** A **B**eliever, **B**ody, **B**ible and **B**reakthrough prayer (4 B Approach)

33. Can the Great Commission task be completed?

As D. L. Moody said, "It can be done, It ought to be done, It must be done."

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