

Follow Me

Mark 1:17; 1 Cor 11:1

**“Follow me and I will make you
fishers of men” (Mk 1:17)
“Follow me as I follow Christ”
(1 Cor 11:1)**



Priority of Discipleship

To disciple a group of disciples was a top priority of Jesus.

Jesus also gave us this mission to make disciples.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Mt 28:19

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Discipling the Disciplers - IDMC

Priority of Discipleship

What does it mean to make disciples?

To have people follow us so that they may follow Christ

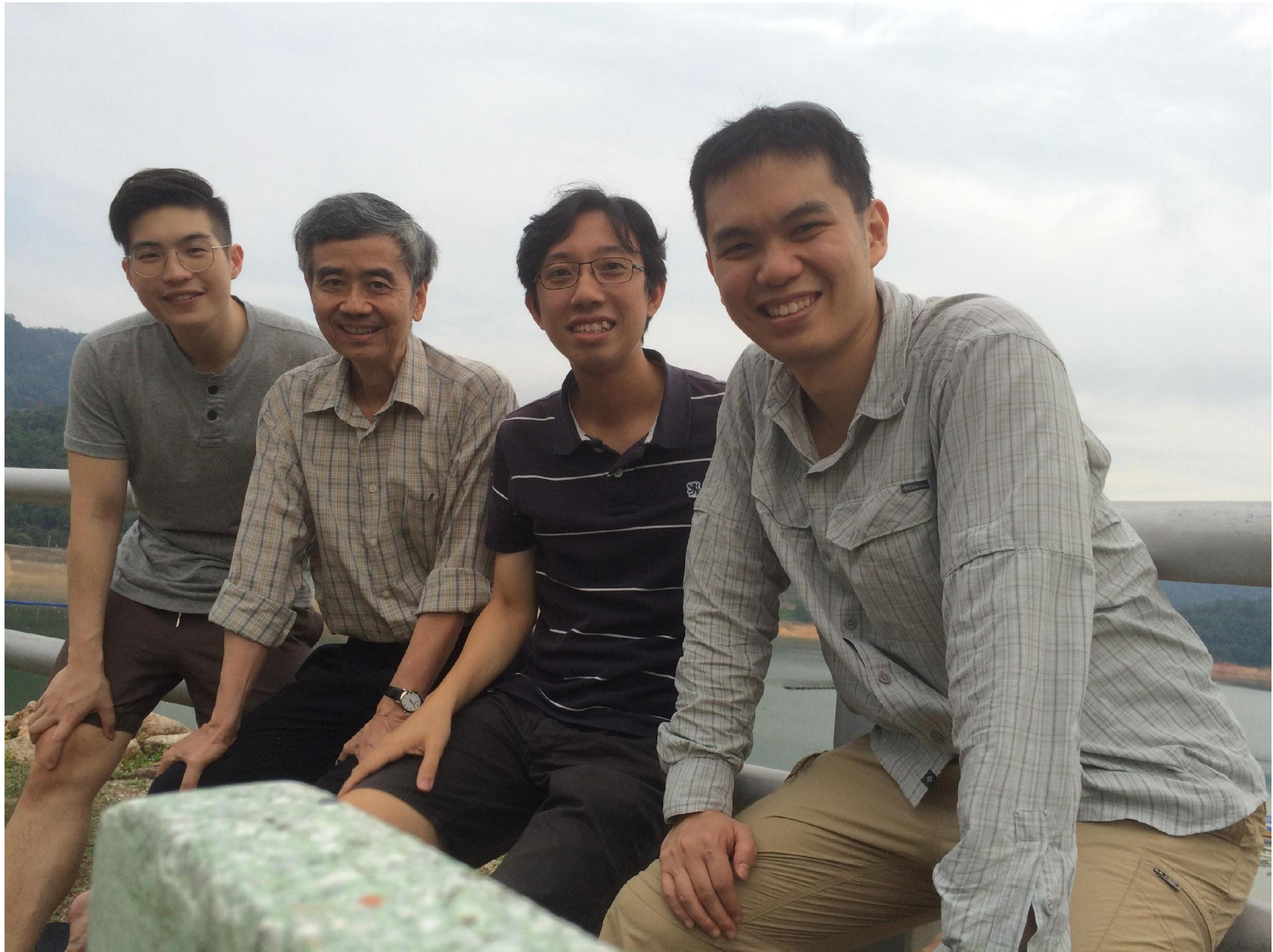
We ourselves also need to be disciplined by others

All of us are to be disciples and disciplers

A discipler walks with one who is a few steps behind









Follow Me and I Will Make You

And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” V17

Follow me (come after me)

To be with Jesus – relationship – life involvement

And He will make you become

Make you, cause you, result - to become (to be, to exist)

To become fishers of men – to make disciples of others

Men – most valued

Not animals, trees, cars, houses

Follow Me and I Will Make You

A Relationship (follow, imitate) – a love relationship

Not about a set of materials

In this Relationship - **Acceptance** and **Value**

As seen in the whole of the Gospel



Acceptance in Discipleship

Accepted them for who they were, with all their shortcomings

Died for us while we were still sinners Rom 5:8

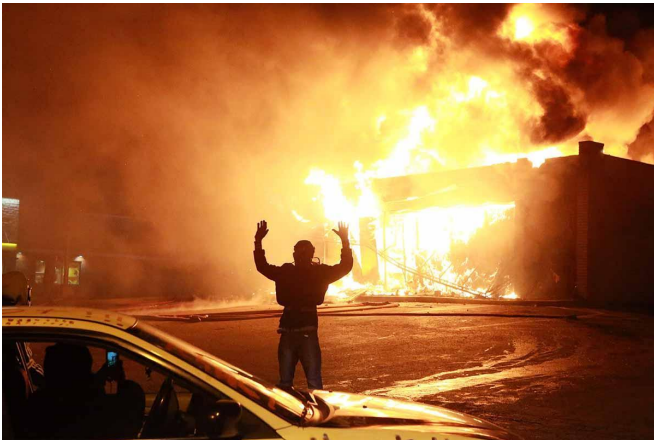
- Peter – impulsive
- Nathaniel - negative
- Matthew – not trustworthy
- Judas – worldly
- Thomas – doubting



Acceptance in Discipleship

Acceptance and not Rejection

Story of Jerry and Roland



Value in Discipleship

Lay down His life for them (Jn 15:13)

Gave them chance after chance (Mt 20:20-28)

Putting under His wings (Mt 23:37)



Value in Discipleship

How do we value our disciples?

Story of the Villager and 5 Cows



Conclusion

We are to be disciples and we are to make disciples

Let others follow us and make them become
disciples and disciplers

A love relationship where we:

Accept them

Value them

