

The Church of God in Oakland 2014 Campaign

40
Days of

DISCIPLESHIP

Learn - Follow - Serve

親愛的弟兄阿，你們卻要在至聖的真道上造就自己，在聖靈裡禱告，²⁰保守自己常在神的愛中，仰望我們主耶穌基督的憐憫，直到永生。

²⁰ But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, ²¹ keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. - Jude 1:20-21

Name: _____

Welcome to 40 Days of Discipleship. Every year we would like to start with a spiritual growth campaign to improve our relationship with God and with brothers and sisters. The goal of this campaign is to jump start our growth in Christ in 2014.

This year's campaign is modeled after the way Jesus trained his disciples when he was on Earth. After praying earnestly to the Father, He chose the twelve and essentially spent the rest of His time on Earth with them. He taught them by being a good model of what it meant to learn the truth, love the neighbors, forgive 70 x 7 times and serve the sick and poor. He showed them how one should take up his cross and follow him by bearing one of his own (ours, as a matter of fact).

The 40 Days of Discipleship campaign focuses on 3 aspects of discipleship:

Learning – A disciple is a “learner”. The Greek word of disciple (mathétés) literally means “a learner”. A disciple is ought to learn from his/her master, Jesus, in this case. We would like to help you develop habits that enable you to learn spiritually.

Following – A disciple is a “follower” of Christ. They follow the way of life and conduct of their Lord Jesus Christ, imitate his attitude and character. We ought to live a life worthy of his high calling. We would like to help you bear fruit for Christ and become a better follower of Jesus Christ from inside out.

Serving – A disciple is a “servant” of Christ. The Greek word Paul uses to address himself as a servant of Christ mean “slave”. We are slaves of our Lord Jesus who came to serve and die for us; he called us to serve like him. We would like to teach you right attitude, mind-set, characters, and skills for serving God.

Let's Get Started

This 6-week campaign will focus on each of the aspects every 2 weeks.

Week 1-2 – Be a learner

Week 3-4 – Be a true follower of Jesus

Week 5-6 – Be a servant / minister of Jesus

Commitment

No success is without great effort and commitment. Your commitment to developing the essential spiritual habits will help you learn and grow in Christ.

- Daily DNTG & Prayer
- Weekly sermon / message / study
- Weekly fellowship sharing with brothers and sisters in your circles¹
- Weekly communion with proper preparation
- Spiritual Journal for writing what you learn in DNTG and message, etc.

I commit to growing by developing these spiritual habits

Signature & Date

¹ Or spiritual partners

Schedule of Meetings

01/12/14	Introduction to 40 Days of Discipleship
01/16/14 (Fri)	Getting Started with 40 Days of Discipleship
01/19/14	How God Teach Us
01/23/14 (Fri)	Workshop : DNTG / Worship Improvement
01/26/14	Be a Better Learner Spiritually
01/31/14 (Fri)	No Meeting. Happy Chinese New Year
02/02/14	Worthy of Calling of God + Prayer meeting
02/07/14 (Fri)	Bearing Fruit for God
02/09/14	Workshop: Following Jesus to Love
02/14/14 (Fri)	MSG: Valentine Special for Couples (no meeting)
02/16/14	Servant Heart
02/21/14 (Fri)	Serve God in Spirit
02/23/14	Equip the Serving Hands
02/28/14 (Fri)	Finale
03/02/14	Closing + Prayer Meeting

DNTG Schedule and Passage

Mon 01/20	1 Thess (帖前) ch. 1	
Tue	1 Thess (帖前) ch. 2	
Wed	1 Thess (帖前) ch. 3	
Thu	1 Thess (帖前) ch. 4	
Fri	1 Thess (帖前) ch. 5	

Mon 01/27	James 1 (雅各書)	
Tue	James 2	
Wed	James 3	
Thu	James 4	
Fri	James 5	

Mon 2/3	Galatians 1 (加拉太書)	
Tue	Galatians 2	
Wed	Galatians 3	
Thu	Galatians 4	
Fri	Galatians 5	
Sat	Galatians 6	

Mon 02/10	1 Corinthians 1 (林前)	
Tue	1 Corinthians 2	
Wed	1 Corinthians 3	
Thu	1 Corinthians 4	
Fri	1 Corinthians 5	
Sat	1 Corinthians 6	

Mon 02/18	1 Corinthians 7 (林前)	
Tue	1 Corinthians 8	
Wed	1 Corinthians 9	
Thu	1 Corinthians 10	
Fri	1 Corinthians 11	

Mon 02/25	1 Corinthians 12 (林前)	
Tue	1 Corinthians 13	
Wed	1 Corinthians 14	
Thu	1 Corinthians 15	
Fri	1 Corinthians 16	

Bible Circle / Fellowship

God called us into his family so that we can have fellowship with him and with each other. The true meaning of fellowship encompasses sharing, communication, contribution, and participation. The essence of fellowship is “each other”. In a true fellowship, every person will share, communicate, contribute, and participate.

What is a Bible Circle?

A bible circle is a team of 2-3 brothers or sisters in which we practice biblical fellowship and sharing.

Goal

Our goal for you is to have spiritual sharing with brothers or sisters in your circles at least once a week. You can do it

- Over the phone
- Video / Audio App (e.g., google+, skype, ...)
- Face-to-face (on Sunday, weekday in small group, weekend during draw-near-to-God gathering, etc)

We recommend you to have 20-30 minutes using the following format or other format you find appropriate. The key is that everyone has the chance to share, talk, and participate.

1. Share what you learn in DNTG / Sunday sermons
2. Share your needs or recent news
3. Give thanks; Pray for the church (2-3 items) and pray each other

Feel free to add some Bible reading / worship in the Beginning.

Establish Your Bible Circles

Circle #1: _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Meeting time: _____

Circle #2: _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Meeting time: _____

Hints: Be creative in finding time for sharing in your Bible Circles.

My Weekly Schedule

Instruction: Write down your daily activities in this weekly time table to plan how you spend your time and allocate time for your spiritual training. Putting God first in your time is to schedule God's thing first in your calendar.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
7:00 am							
8:00 am							
9:00 am							
10:00 am							
11:00 am							
12:00 am							
1:00 pm							
2:00 pm							
3:00 pm							
4:00 pm							
5:00 pm							
6:00 pm							
7:00 pm							
8:00 pm							
9:00 pm							
10:00 pm							

DNTG Improvement

	Draw Near To God Review	1 - 5
a.	DNTG is extremely important to me.	
b.	In the past week (Mon-Sat), how often did you have Draw-near-to-God quiet time? (0 – 6 times)	
c.	It is easy for me to concentrate in my DNTG time.	
d.	I often learn and be inspired in my DNTG time.	
e.	My DNTG is generally very good quality and enjoyable.	
	Total	

1. Cultivate a delightment in God's Word

Actions: what will I do in 2014 to improve?

Worship Improvement

How satisfied are you in attending the Communion in the past year?

What have you done well and what need improvement in your worship in the past year

Done Well:

Need Improvement:

What will you do in 2014 to worship God better?

1. Preparation

2. Other actions:

Prayer Journal

Prayer Item

Church	Status
1. May God bless 40 days campaign and the spirit of brothers and sisters	
2. May God bless prayer meetings (more b/s participate and pray)	
3. May God bless that all brothers and sisters will grow spiritually	
4. May God bless 2014 outreach. (Tax, Easter, Summer Street Fest, Health seminar)	

Personal & others need	Status
1. May God bless my spiritual habits	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	

Your Prayer Note:

Week 1 & 2 Journal

Learner

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen. – 2 Pet 3:18

你們卻要在我們主—救主耶穌基督的恩典和知識上有長進。願榮耀歸給他，從今直到永遠。阿們

Sermon: How God Teaches Us

1. God teaches us

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

We should _____

2. God teaches us through

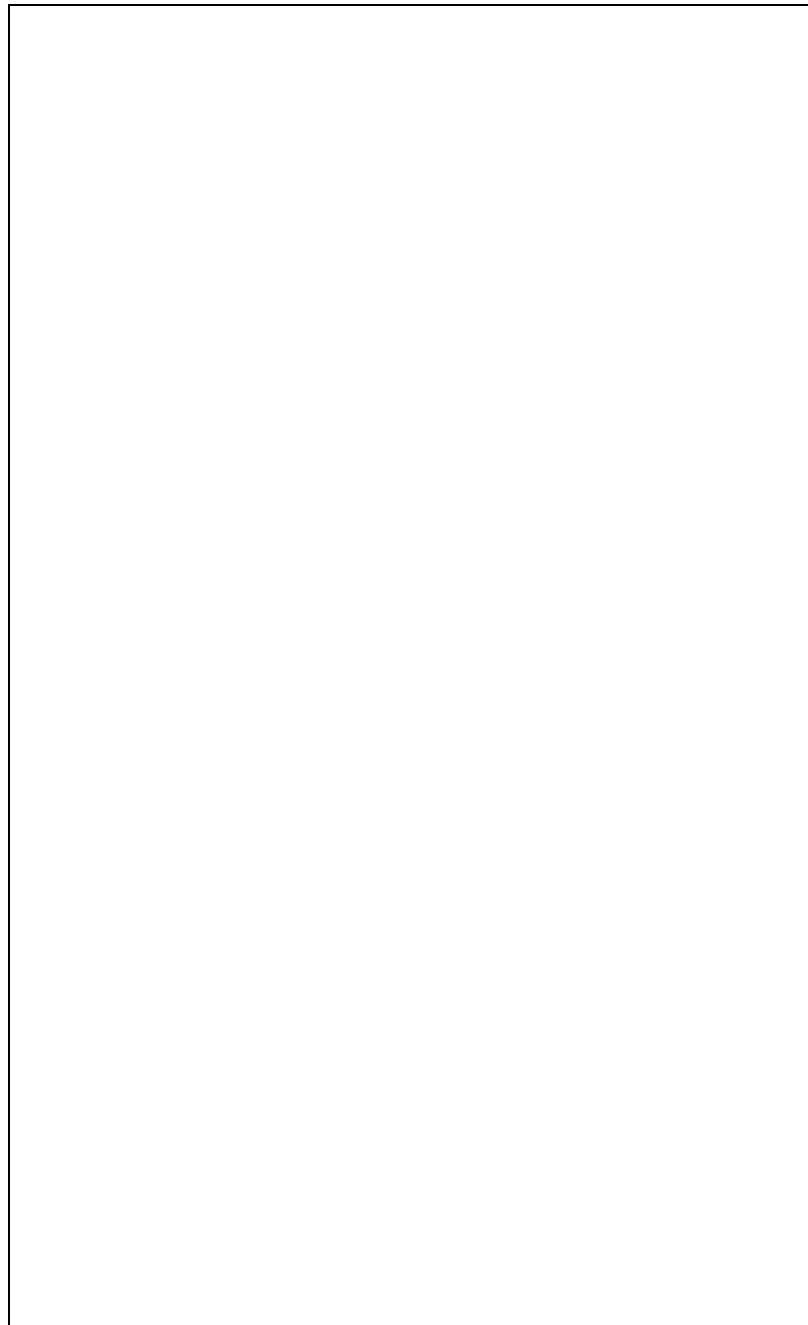
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b. _____

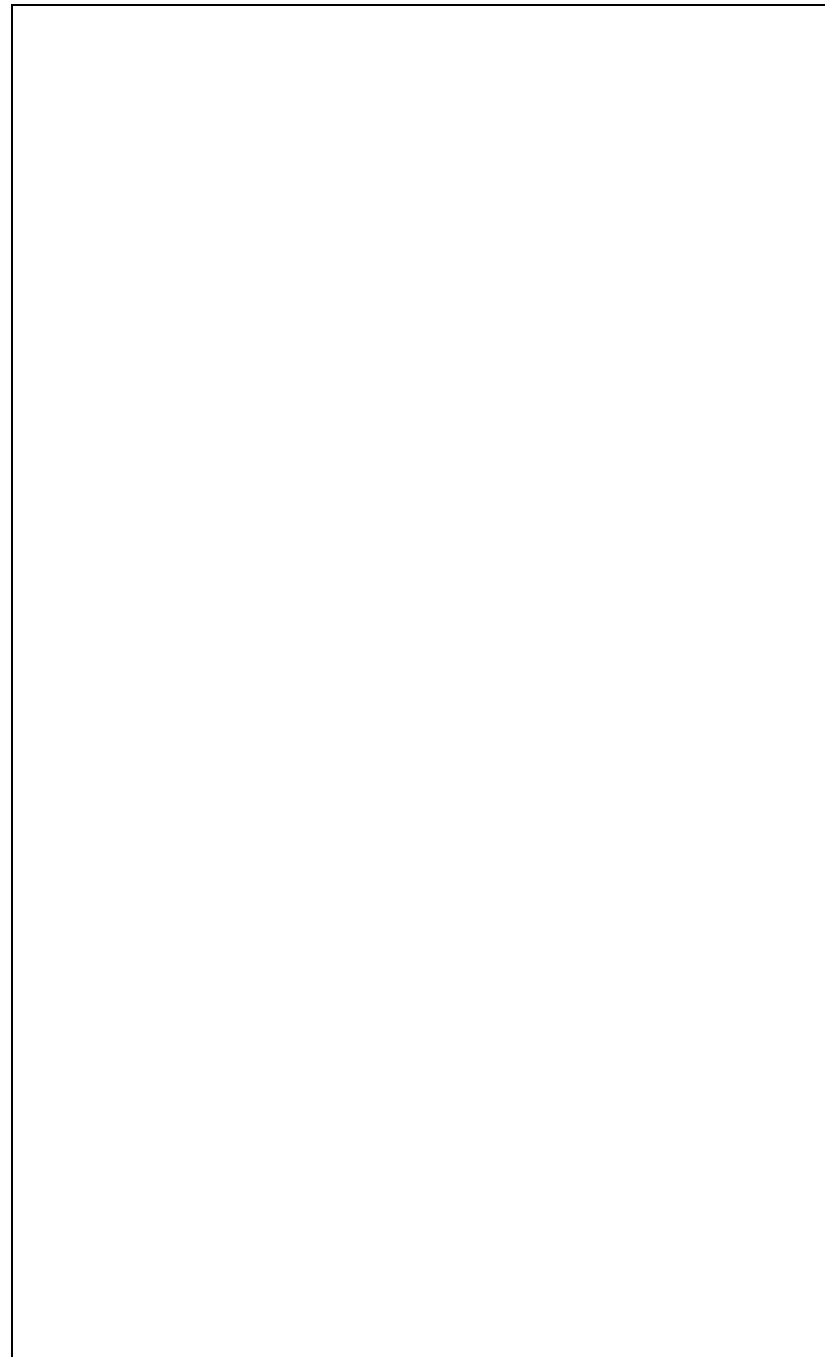
c. _____

d. _____

Sermon: Bearing Fruit for God



Workshop: Following Jesus to Love



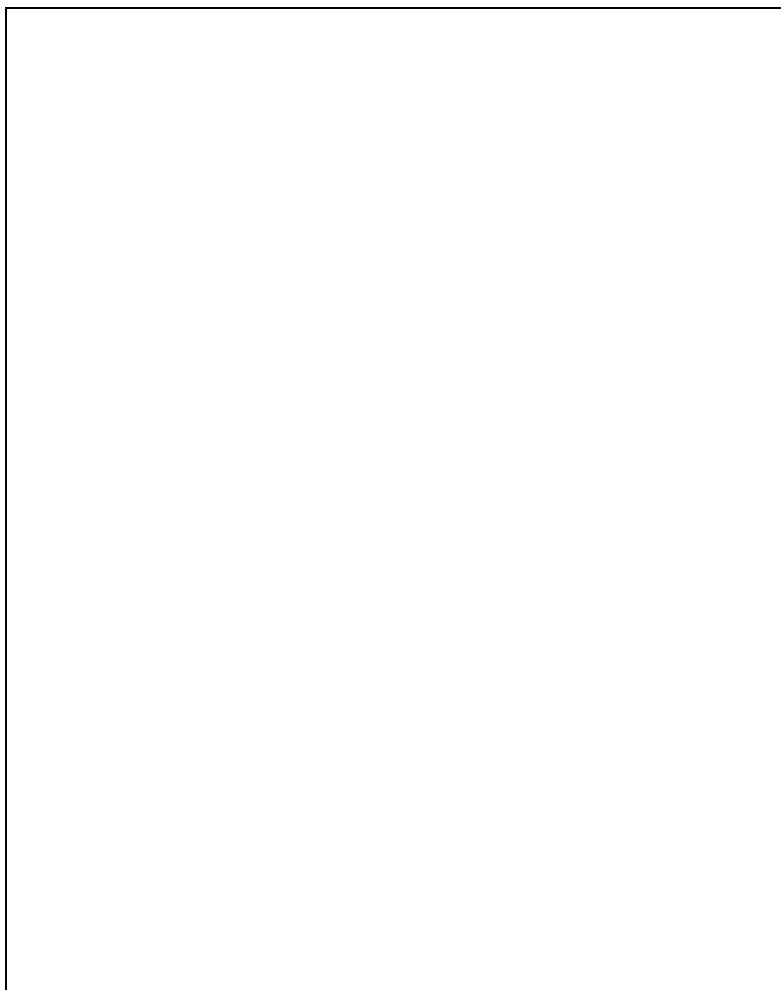
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Servant / Minister

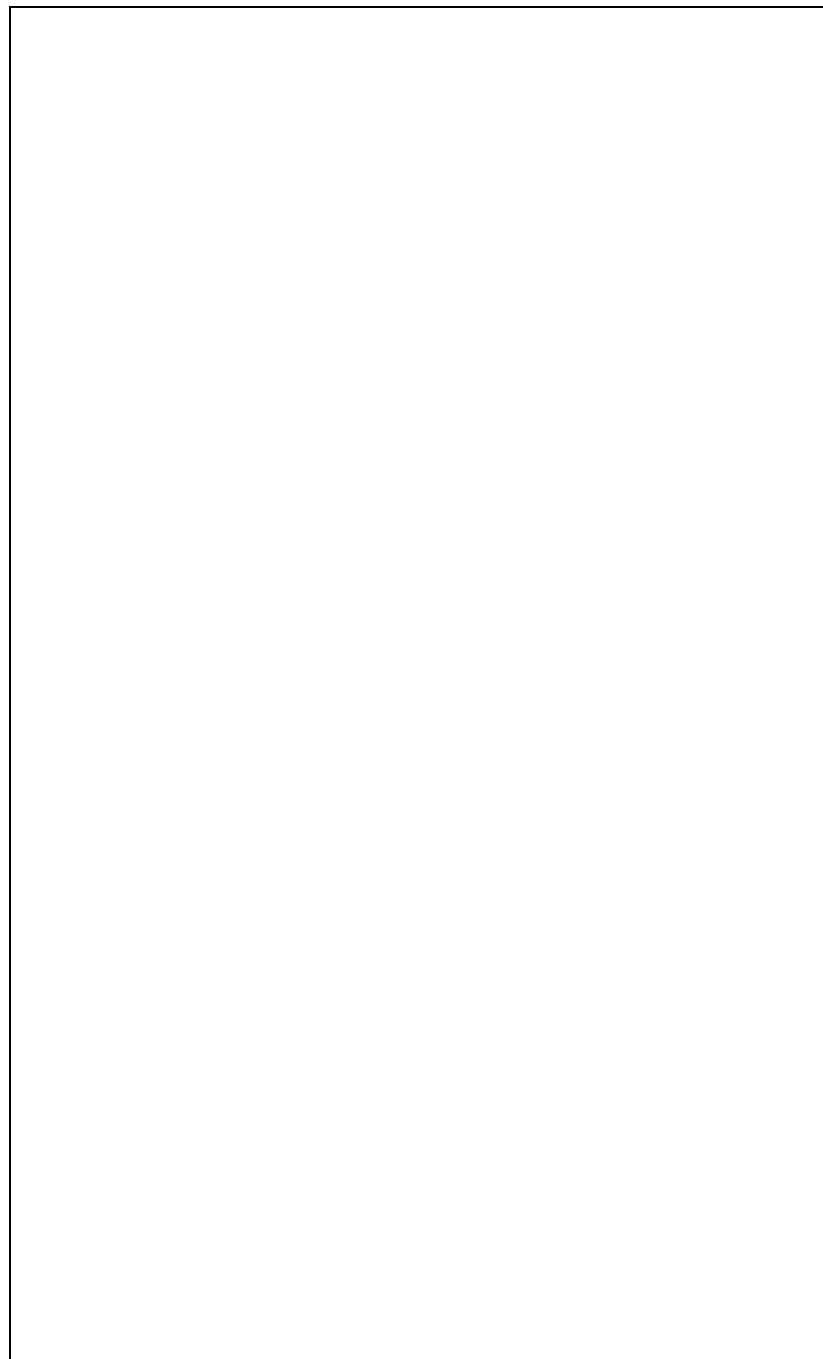
And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skillful hands he led them. – Ps 78:72

於是，他按心中的純正牧養他們，用手中的巧妙引導他們。

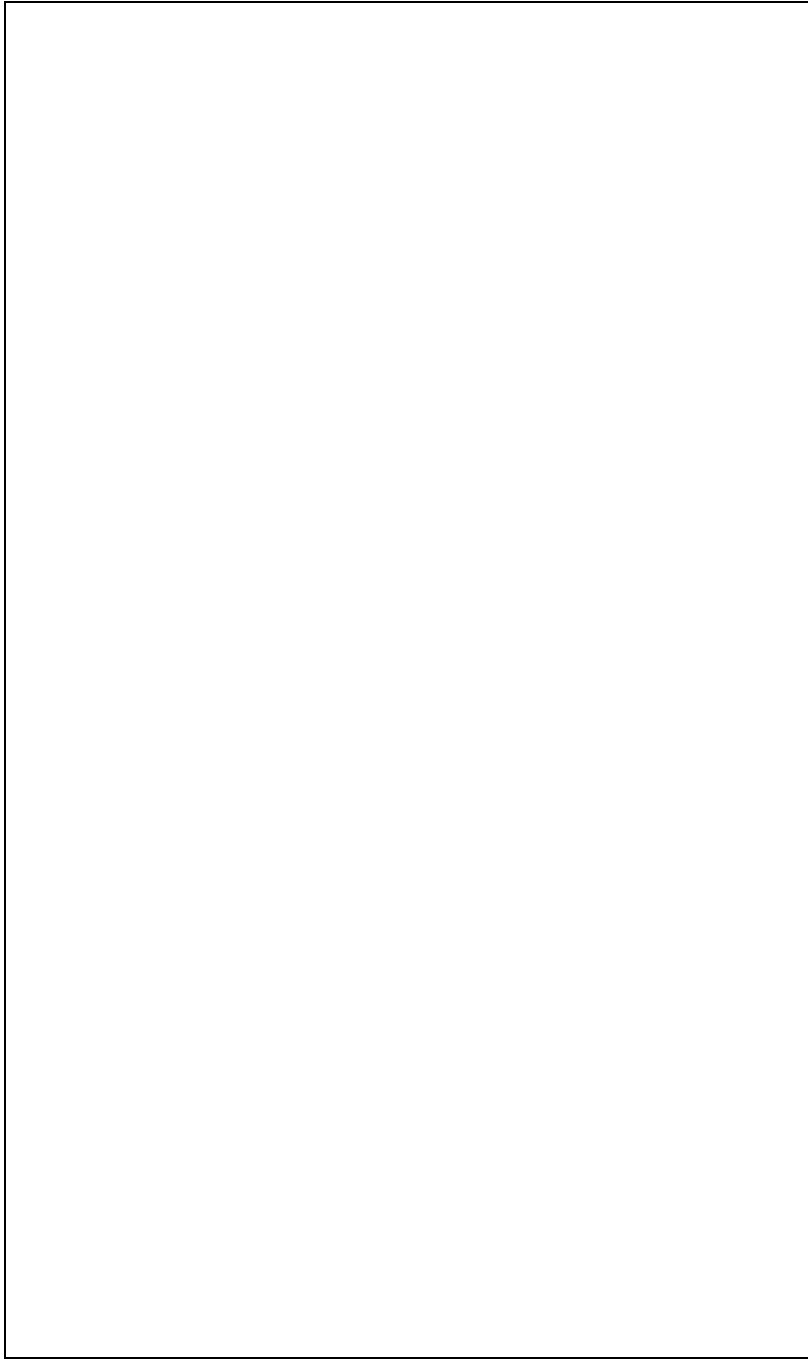
Sermon: Serve with a Servant Heart



Sermon: Serve God with your Spirit



Sermon: Equip the Serving Hands



DNTG Journal

