The Story of the Commands of Jesus Study

In a quest to find a small group Bible Study for committed Followers of Jesus who want to mature in their faith a search was made of existing studies.

Many of the existing small group studies were primarily evangelistic or targeted a specific topic or Book of the Bible. The scripture that inspired this particular study was *Matthew 28:18-20. Go into all the world – Make Disciples, - Baptize them – Teach them to Observe all that I commanded.*

A search was made for a study of the Commands of Jesus. A few were found but nothing that provided for an in-depth discussion of His commands in a small group setting. So a team of four businessmen met together weekly for 6 months to develop a curriculum. The team involved the president of a construction company, the partner in a real estate investment and management firm, the president of a global ministry, and a retired airline pilot and business owner.

The guidelines for the curriculum were to use the imperative verbs that Jesus spoke as the scripture references and to develop soul-searching, personal questions for the participants to examine their walk of Faith. All doctrine, beliefs and practices were avoided so as to make the content acceptable to all Believers.

The 11 lesson study of The Commands of Jesus was then tested in a small group Businessmen’s Bible Study. It proved to be useful as the men were consistently engaged in the discussions of the scriptures and the personal questions. It was apparent that they grew in their faith during the months of meeting together over the study.

We offer the curriculum as a gift to all of God’s people. It was given to us by the Holy Spirit for the purpose of making obedient Disciples of Jesus. The curriculum is presented in Word document form so that anyone may change it to fit their particular group’s needs. All the information is available on the web.

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