

## #5 - Packing Your Tools

Before you pack, where are you going, what will you be doing?



...more than a buzzword

**Q. Name five "essential" elements of a balanced discipleship toolkit. Why these?**

### THE ESSENTIALS

If you have ever taken any kind of trip or vacation, you take the time necessary to make sure you are packed up with all of your necessities. Each trip may require different goods to pack. This is the same with discipleship. If we are going to take the time to teach someone how to follow Jesus, then we must pack the essential goods.

This also must be done with a clear focus like we learn from Moses in Psalm 90:12:

**"SO TEACH US TO NUMBER OUR DAYS SO THAT WE MAY GAIN A HEART OF WISDOM."**

So, where are you going? What will you be doing as you go? These answers help you pack for discipleship. Within any discipleship relationship you must always pack:

**Prayer**

**Scripture**

**Accountability**

These, at least, are the minimum foundations for your toolkit! How much you bring and what specific elements of each of those that you pack is up to you and that specific relationship.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

**Consider what to pack. What would you add to / fine tune / further describe the following in helping someone build their discipleship toolkit. What have you found helpful in teaching these things?**

1. Christianity 101 - What are the basics that any believer needs to know or practice?
2. Lifestyle - What role does personal holiness play in the discipleship process?
3. Bible - How can we better study and memorize the word together?
4. Prayer - How do we help the student deepen his or her prayer life?
5. Church - How can I utilize the value of the local church to push the student deeper in love with Jesus?

6. God's design – Does the student understand God's design for his or her life?
7. Grace – How do I remember to extend grace throughout the process of discipleship?
8. Serving/Mission – What areas of service can we do together to put to action what we are studying?
9. Accountability – How will accountability keep the focus?
10. Evangelism – What is the sphere of influence in the student's life and can he or she communicate the gospel?
11. Leadership – How is the student a part of making more disciples?

In summary, grab your suitcase and belongings and let's get to the work of discipleship!

### **Further Reflection:**

- In your "bag of discipleship tools," what elements have you neglected?
- What are some creative ways you might suggest to help students grow further in one of these emphasis areas?

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