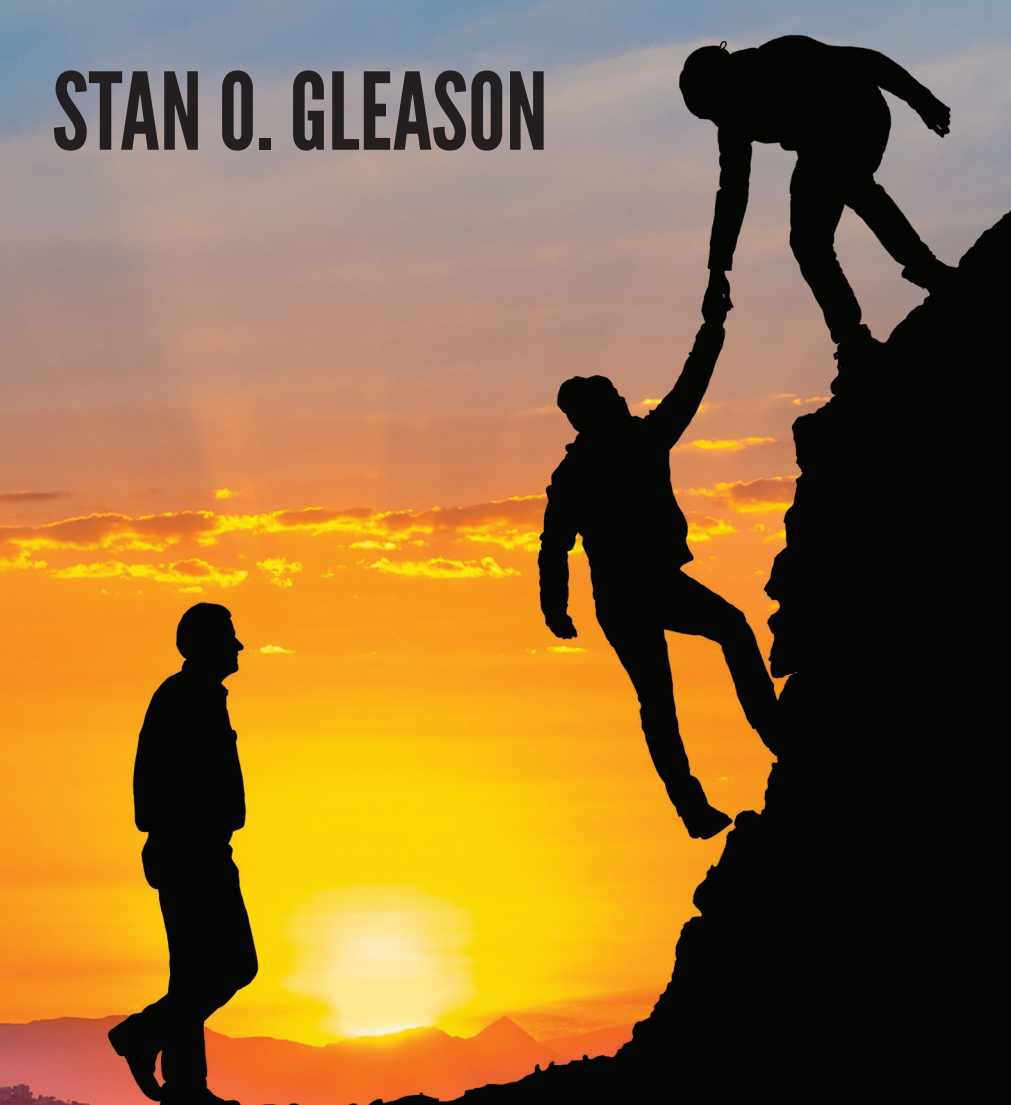


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**FACILITATOR'S GUIDE**

**FOLLOW TO LEAD** »

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— **THE JOURNEY OF A DISCIPLE MAKER** —

# Session One

## Go Make Disciples The Mission and the Method

*Read the preface and chapters 1–2 before the meeting.*

### Opening

Do you find it relatively easy to make new friends, or is it somewhat difficult to become friends with someone? Why?

### Scripture reading

- Matthew 28:19
- Luke 5:1–11

### Watch the video for session 1

### Discuss the following questions:

1. Describe how unasked questions can become the “sticking points” (the places we get stuck) in our lives.
2. Many people have never found God’s high calling in their lives. They’ve either not sought after or understood God’s plan for them. Why do you think that is the case?
3. “Stuck people,” according to the author in the opening chapter, “have a vision problem.” What we focus on either brings movement or stagnation. Discuss a time in your life where something you dwelt on either caused you to move forward or not to move at all.
4. The author encourages us to ask questions of ourselves including: “What is my purpose for

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# Session Two

## As You Go, Make Disciples Living Intentionally

*Read chapters 3–4 before the meeting.*

### Opening

In recent memory has a neighbor knocked on your door? Have you knocked on a neighbor's door?

### Scripture reading

- Acts 5:42
- I Corinthians 11:1

### Watch the video for session 2

### Discuss the following questions:

1. How well do you know your neighbors?
2. Are there differences between how the first-century church lived their personal lives and how we live ours regarding reaching the unchurched?
3. What are the expectations for membership in the church you attend?
4. What are some different ways that can be used to measure spiritual maturity?
5. How would you describe your current level of spiritual maturity? Do you see any potential areas for growth?

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# Session Three

## Follow to Lead The Game Changer

*Read chapters 5–6 before the meeting.*

### Opening

In terms of role models throughout your life, who has had the greatest influence? Why?

### Scripture reading

- John 14:12
- Luke 10:3–6

### Watch the video for session 3

### Discuss the following questions:

1. In your opinion, who do you think you currently influence the most?
2. Are there people you have in mind that you want to reach with the gospel of Jesus Christ?
3. Is there anything stopping you from being an effective disciple maker?
4. How can you get those obstacles out of the way?

### Closing

This week prayerfully consider anything that may be stopping you from making a disciple and pray God will help you.

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# Session Four

## The Great Commission Church Department or Church Culture

*Read chapters 7–8 before the meeting.*

### Opening

How did you come to be part of this small group?

### Scripture reading

- II Corinthians 2:13
- Luke 10:25–29

### Watch the video for session 4

### Discuss the following questions:

1. Who is primarily responsible to notice when people are absent at church on Sunday?
2. In the intersection of vision and culture, which one is stronger?
3. Give an example of something amazing God has done in your life.
4. Have you shared your testimony with anyone recently?
5. As you consider your own personal testimony, what components do you think are the most compelling? Would others agree with your assessment, or are there aspects that might be more appealing to somebody else?

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# Session Five

## Disciple Makers as Tour Guides

*Read chapters 9–10 before the meeting.*

### Opening

Have you ever experienced a new place with a tour guide? Have you gone to a new place without one? What was each experience like and which do you prefer?

### Scripture reading

- 1 Peter 2:9
- Acts 11:25–26

### Watch the video for session 5

### Discuss the following questions:

1. Who do you know who possesses a “there you are” spirit?
2. What does the phrase “walk slowly through the crowd” communicate to you?
3. How mature do you believe disciples must be before they can begin to make disciples?
4. What experience(s) have you had in helping someone mature in Christ and what impact did it have on you?
5. What are the positive aspects of someone asking you questions about what you believe?

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**Closing**

Consider what opportunities you might have in the coming week to serve people.

**Reading assignment**

Read chapters 11–13 before the next meeting.

# Session Six

## No More Excuses Make a Disciple, Secure the Future

*Read chapters 11–13 before the meeting.*

### Opening

Who was your first friend? How did you become friends with that person?

### Scripture reading

- Ruth 1:8–14
- Acts 6:3–8

### Watch the video for session 6

### Discuss the following questions:

1. Have you ever had someone believe in you more than you believe in yourself? Who was that person?
2. What would you tell someone who feels unqualified or uncalled to make a disciple?
3. Which Bible character had inadequacies that encourage you when you think about being a disciple maker?
4. What do you see as your greatest strengths in disciple making? What are the things that challenge you?
5. What are your next steps to make a disciple?

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