

V. OUR MASTER'S EARLY CHURCH _____
MULTIPLICATION 2 TIMOTHY 2:2

The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. 2 TIMOTHY 2:2

- A. Faithful disciples are teachable.
- B. Faithful disciples teach others to teach others.

The failure to multiply is costly.
While the gospel has advanced worldwide it has declined in Europe over the past 250 years. Only 5% are evangelical.

Between 1990 and 2000 there was a net gain of 4600 churches in the U.S.; however, to simply maintain the pace with population growth a gain of _____ was needed.
Between 80-85% of churches in the U.S. are in numeric _____.
From 1990-2001 the percentage of Americans identifying themselves as "Christian" dropped nearly _____. At that rate, non-Christians will outnumber Christians of any denomination by 2042.

Warning: "Multiply or _____!"

A Reason to Rejoice: According to Rim Rutz in his book "Megashift," Christianity may be the fastest growing religion on earth.

He contends, every 25 minutes _____ people come to faith. Tomorrow there will be _____ new believers on earth.

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Sermon Notes

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The Master's
Mandate to Multiply
MATTHEW 28:18-20

MAIN IDEA: THE GREAT COMMISSION IS A MANDATE FOR US TO MULTIPLY

I. OUR MASTER'S CHARGE TO "MAKE DISCIPLES"
REQUIRES MULTIPLICATION MATTHEW 28:18-20

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." MATTHEW 28:18-20

- A. "Baptism" represents the addition of new converts (evangelism).
- B. "Teaching" involves the multiplication of new disciple makers (discipleship).

Question: Jesus left trained disciple makers. What will be left when you leave?

II. OUR MASTER _____ THOSE WHO
MULTIPLIED HIS RESOURCES MATTHEW 25:20-21

The one who had received the five talents came up and brought five more talents, saying, 'Master, you entrusted five talents to me. See, I have gained five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with

a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' MATTHEW 25:20-21

- A. Our Master gives us His resources to manage.
- B. Our Master gives us His resources to multiply.

The multiplication of God's resources in Africa.
1900 – _____ Christian
2012 – 49% Christian

III. OUR MASTER _____ HIS DISCIPLES FOR MULTIPLICATION

- A. He trained and mobilized the twelve. LUKE 9:1-2

And He called the twelve together, and gave them power and authority over all the demons and to heal diseases. And He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to perform healing. LUKE 9:1-2

- B. He trained and mobilized the 70. LUKE 10:1-2

Now after this the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them in pairs ahead of Him to every city and place where He Himself was going to come. And He was saying to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest." LUKE 10:1-2

- C. He _____ in the results of His disciples' ministries.

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." And He said to them, "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning." LUKE 10:17-18
At that very time He rejoiced greatly in the Holy Spirit, and said, "I praise You, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have revealed them to infants. Yes, Father, for this way was well-pleasing in Your sight." LUKE 10:21

Multiplication of Pastors in East Africa through T-Net in 1 year:
First Generation – 27 Pastors
Second Generation – _____ Pastors

The T-Net goal is to have training centers in all 37 sub-Saharan African countries in the next 10 years.

IV. OUR MASTER'S EARLY DISCIPLES _____ MULTIPLICATION ACTS 19:8-10

And he entered the synagogue and continued speaking out boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading them about the kingdom of God. But when some were becoming hardened and disobedient, speaking evil of the Way before the people, he withdrew from them and took away the disciples, reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus. This took place for two years, so that all who lived in Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks. ACTS 19:8-10

- A. Paul preached the Gospel (3 months).
- B. Paul trained the disciples (2 years).
- C. Paul's disciple's reached their world.
... so that all who lived in Asia heard the word of the Lord v. 10

Asia:
1900 – 2.3% 22 million Christians
2010 – 8.8% _____ million Christians
China:
1949 – 1% Christian
2011 – 10% Christian 130 million
Latin America:
1900 – 1% Evangelical 700,000
2010 – 17% Evangelical _____ million
8,000 Latin Americans become evangelical Christians every day.