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- Some dismiss purposes as being unspiritual
- The Spirit is very purposeful and work with Him
- Let's look at the Spirit's purpose

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One goal to make disciples

- Jesus' goal for us: "Make disciples" (Mat 28:20)
- Discipleship is special form of training (like children)
- Starts with our own lives
- Then ask if we have given this same faith, skills, and vision to others
- Then train them to be able to train others

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

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Developing greater goals

- Okay or great marriage?
- Okay students or spiritually-trained students?
- What are our goals and how do we reach them
- My discipleship crisis

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A crisis in the church

- Discipleship is not taught or done
- “Go to church”
- Classes on sanctification not applied to discipleship
- A world-wide crisis
- Perhaps this obedience to Jesus is what is needed to finish the mission!

The lack of a strong God-given goal allows many other smaller and inadequate goals to satisfy our training pursuits.

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Our Lessons

- Short term goals must be shaped and connected to the larger
- It is urgent that we train others to have this vision to also train others.
- The full vision of Christian life and experience is not adequately passed on because few practically relate the whole purpose of God with the short term goals John provides for us.

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Application

- ➡ Have you ever been trained to disciple others? Are you in fact doing it?
- ➡ If so, what level of believer were you trained to work with? Explain how.
- ➡ If married (if not think about your parents), is your marriage one that you would desire for your children?

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