

Go make disciples. A simple statement. One of Christ's last commands is also one of his most straightforward. *Make disciples.* Just reading those two words probably stirs something up inside of you. They're part of that calling God placed in the hearts of all believers. But as a youth pastor, those words seem to ring a little louder in your ears. It's rooted deep in the core of who you are. You've given your life to that holy pursuit. *Making disciples.* It's more than your job, it's your mission. So...are you? Are you making disciples?

The new Deep Discipleship is so much more than a curriculum, it's an entire strategy system designed to help you make and multiply disciples. Within Deep Discipleship, you are equipped with everything you need to run your entire ministry and, most importantly, make disciples. We've streamlined this process by designing a model that intentionally focuses on the 5 foundational elements of youth ministry.

DEEP DISCIPLESHIP YOUTH MINISTRY STRATEGY



**RELATIONSHIPS
CULTIVATE TRUST**



**MISSION DRIVES
PROGRAMMING**



**DISCIPLESHIP
PROMPTS CHANGE**



**PARENTS FOSTER
CONSISTENCY**



**LEADERSHIP
PROMOTES OWNERSHIP**

Every aspect throughout the Deep Discipleship system is intentionally designed to make and multiply disciples. And we do this by strategically focusing on the five foundational elements of student ministry:

1. Relational Volunteer Team

Programs don't make *the* difference in your student ministry. People do. And the people who make the most significant impact are your adult volunteers.

2. Intentional Programming

Every event, meeting, and training revolves around the goal of making and multiplying disciples.

3. Transformational Discipleship

Without a strategic teaching plan, we may miss critical aspects of the Gospel. To ensure the whole picture is presented, every teaching lesson in Deep Discipleship centers around the core **8 Roots of the Gospel**:



RESCUE

helps students understand their need for a Savior (John 1:12).

OUTREACH

helps students understand their God-given mission (Romans 10:14–15).

KNOWLEDGE

helps students understand the basics of who God is (2 Timothy 3:16–17).

IDENTITY

helps students discover their unique identity in Christ (Genesis 1:27).

WORSHIP

explores what it means to live a lifestyle of worship (Psalm 105:1).

KINGDOM

helps students understand how to live in the Kingdom of God every day (Luke 17:20–21).

COMMUNITY

helps students understand the meaning of biblical fellowship (James 1:27).

APOLOGETICS

prepares students to explain the hope they have in Christ (Peter 3:15).

4. Partnering with Parents

Because parents are the primary faith influencers of their children, your youth ministry needs to be the critical third-party voice. You are the supplementary advocate that reinforces parents' disciple-making efforts at home.

5. Student Leadership

Learning to lead is part of the discipleship process. Providing leadership development for students through application and experiences equips young disciples.

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN DEEP DISCIPLESHIP

We provide you tons of tools and resources to help you make disciples in each area of those foundational elements. The Deep Discipleship system weaves discipleship through every aspect of student ministry. It is the thread that holds everything together.

Relational Volunteer Team

- Volunteer *Vision Casting* training event to introduce your volunteers to Deep Discipleship
- Quarterly volunteer training sessions with scripts and presentation guides
- An end of the year celebration to honor your volunteers
- Role placement guides to help you place your volunteers in a position that best fits their personal set of gifts and interests



- Basic training cards for every volunteer role so adults have a quick reference on what to do to guarantee successful meetings and events
- Volunteer communication templates:
 - For emails or handwritten postcards with included graphics
- Tons of video training on:
 - The Discipleship Pathway and Leadership Pathway—each include a digital guide
- Schedule and planning guides
- Shopping lists for the events

Intentional Programming



- Youth ministry assessment tools so you are clearly aware of where your youth group is and where it is going
- Multiple programming calendar templates for the fall, spring, and summer
- More than 52 weeks of large group, small group, and hybrid teaching lessons that we will dig into under the **Transformational Discipleship** element below
- A library of games featuring team games and all-play games
- Many **Reach** events to help your students easily reach out to their unbelieving and un-churched friends
- Several **Go** events that help you place your students in leadership positions
- Plenty of team building games for game night events or mixed in with your large/small group lessons, or leadership team meetings.
- A coupon code for a free **DNow Retreat**. You can choose from a wide selection of pre-packaged retreats that you believe will best benefit your group.
- Mission trips:
 - At LeaderTreks, we have been leading mission trips with students for nearly 30 years. We provide tons of full- prepped mission trip options that include international and domestic locations like Colorado, Illinois, Ohio, South Carolina, Texas, and many more. We also provide 2 free spots for adult volunteers to join your group.
- Mission trip resources:
 - Pre-Trip training and planning guides so students are ready for the mission ahead of time
 - On-Trip Field Guides for students
 - Post-Trip training and follow-up guides so students don't lose their heart for service once they return home.
- We also give you shopping lists and instructions to put all of this into practice

Transformational Discipleship



- Training on the Discipleship Pathway
- Discipleship Tracker
- Training on the 8 Roots of the Gospel
- Over 52 weeks of lessons for a curriculum loaded with more than a year's worth of content.



- Each teaching series comes with:
 - A large group sermon outline
 - Small group facilitator guide and student guides
 - A hybrid guide that combines the two for youth groups that do large and small group meetings on the same night
 - Built in illustrations for each large group lesson
 - An object lesson library to use for visual examples in your large and small groups
 - Worship playlist library to choose from for your worship team
 - Small group leader guide
 - Small group student guide
 - Communication templates to parents
 - Graphics and presentation slides
 - Intro video
 - Bumper video
 - Social media package
- Everything in the Deep Discipleship curriculum is editable: teaching lessons, leader/student guides, videos, graphics, social media posts
- Seasonal stand-alone lessons:
 - **NEW YEAR**—Following God means being ready to act while waiting for his timing.
 - **GRADUATION**—Life is full of big and small moments that force us to choose whether we will continue to follow God or not.
 - **THANKSGIVING**—Thank God for his provision and good gifts.

SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

CONNECTED

A 4-week series in September on the importance of community in the life of a Christ-follower.

SALVAGED

A 4-week series in October focusing on the basics of how Jesus has rescued us.

WHEN LIFE IS HARD

A 4-week series in November about the importance of how we can continue to follow Jesus during times when life is overwhelming and difficult.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

A 2-week series in December that focuses on the Christmas story, including primary characters who make significant decisions. A New Year stand-alone lesson that stresses the importance of waiting on God's timing.

DEVOTED

A 4-week series in January that takes a deeper look at worshipping God.

GO AND DO

A 4-week series in February that focuses on the practical application of God's Word.

REVEALED

A 4-week series in March on how God has shown us many things about himself through Scripture and the Holy Spirit.

EASTER

A 3-week series in April that examines Jesus' life and death, as well as others involved in his death and resurrection.

LABELED

A 4-week series in May on the importance of finding our identity and who we are in Christ.

PRIORITY SHIFT

A 4-week series in June that focuses on God's Kingdom.

FOLLOW CHRIST

A 4-week series in July focusing on discipleship and following Jesus more closely.

BE PREPARED

A 4-week series in August about being ready to defend our faith and explain the hope that we have in Christ.

Bonus Series

ENLISTED

A 4-week series on the importance of how God has called us to share the Gospel with others.

SENIOR GRADUATION

A 4-week series that looks at the unique position & decisions that graduating seniors encounter.



Partnering with Parents



- Weekly email templates to parents based on each teaching series' lessons with discussion questions for them to use with their students
- Guides and topics for parent meetings with scripts and presentation slides to make you look like the professional you are
- Family Night church events
- Family Service Project guides
- Faith at Home activity guides for parents providing practical steps towards discipling their kids at home
- All these resources are editable so you can personalize them to specifically fit your group's needs

Student Leadership



- Student leadership guide
- Leadership Pathway guide
- Student Leadership Pathway training videos and digital guides
- Student Leadership Style Assessment
- 12 Leadership Team Teaching Lessons
- Fully-packaged retreat with the theme *Foundations of Leadership*
- Service project events designed to be led by your student leaders

HOW TO USE DEEP DISCIPLESHIP

This system is simple to put into practice. Each of the above foundational elements has its own dedicated folder within the overall package you downloaded. Looking for the large group or small group lessons? Open up the **Transformational Discipleship** folder to find the **Deep Discipleship Curriculum** folder. Every teaching series and coinciding media package is found there.

Need a lesson for your leadership team? Open up the **Student Leadership** folder and look for the **Training** folder. All 12 lessons are there.

Maybe it's time for your first volunteer training event. Open the **Relational Volunteer Team** folder and click on **Volunteer Events**. All your training sessions are located there.

Looking to increase your youth budget by \$50,000? Unfortunately, we don't have a folder for that, but there is one for just about everything else.

Deep Discipleship truly is a quick and intuitive system to implement. But, if for any reason, you ever need help or have a question, **call us at 877.502.0699**. We are more than happy to partner with you and solve any issues you may have.

