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NEVER PERFECT, ALWAYS TOGETHER
Real-Life Discipleship

Introduction: *Why is it so important to follow Jesus.* **Gen. 28:1-4; Gal. 3:7-9**.

- THE PROBLEM

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.A true story of a small group that connected deeply. **John 13**

JESUS _____ HIS DISCIPLES. **John 13:1**

- They _____ that He loved them. **John 13:23-25**.

JESUS TAUGHT BY <u>EXAMPLE</u>. **1 Pet. 5:1-3**.

- Before He taught them with words, He taught them by example. He modeled it. **Jn. 13:13-14, 34.**

REAL DISCIPLESHIP INVOLVES THIS KIND OF LOVE..

CONNECT THEM TO ONE ANOTHER **Jn 13:1-11; Col. 3:13-15**

CONNECT THEM TO GOD **Jn. 13:31-35**

CONNECT THEM TO PURPOSE **Jn. 13:12-17**

Week 6 (CONNECT)

Tell:

John 13

Discuss:

As a topic, Connecting covers connection with God, a small group and a purpose. How do you currently connect in these 3 areas? What will this look like in 6 months?

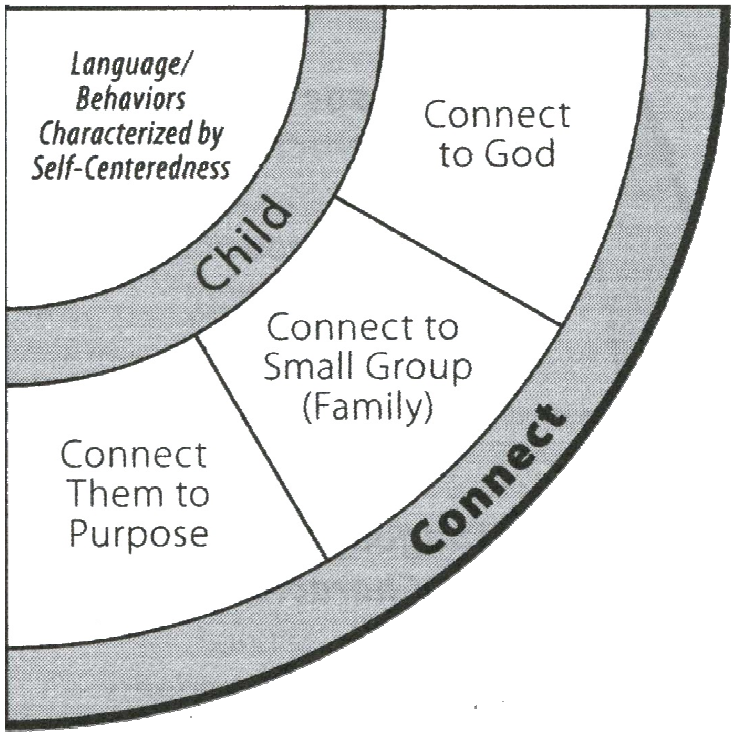
As we move through our study, would you be more likely to try and connect people into your small group?

What are some areas in your walk that you model Christian behavior to others?

As we mature, we become more focused on others. Do you have an area where you can serve God?

For Your Quiet Time:

John 13:1-5
1 Corinthians 3:3-9
Ephesians 4:12
1 John 2:9-11
Hebrews 3:12-13

Next Week:

The disciple making process has 4 main components: Sharing, Connecting, Training to Minister and Releasing to Disciple. Next week we'll be looking at **Training to Minister**. We don't just throw people into the deep end of the pool and expect them to grow. We'll look at giving people a place to serve and teaching them what that looks like in their lives.