

We have an educational system that is pushing against us, but we have freedom to speak. We have freedom to present the message. Jesus said, Go and make disciples of all nations.

Some people go out and tell the message of salvation and people immediately say, Yes. They have a wonderful gift in reaching people for the Lord. In some cases, I'm sure lives are tremendously changed from one contact like that. But in most cases it takes more than one contact. Jesus did not say, God and get them to say, Yes, I'll receive Christ. That's vital. That's important. But he said, Make disciples of them.

It would be terrible to bring little children into the world and then let them lie there with no food! God wants us to spread the word as widely as we can, but he has given us the duty not simply after we graduate, not simply after you're ordained. He's given you a duty now to make disciples now and teach people to grow in the knowledge of God. To grow in their understanding of the Word.

He says, God and make disciples of all nations. Some of us He wants to have ~~x~~ travel to distant nations to present His work ~~but~~ but all of us can be used in distant nations thru prayer. God can use every one of us if we will take an interest in the work of Christ in distant lands, and think of and pray for them and be his instruments there. But wherever we are, we wants us to be making disciples of all nations.

Of course, many think of this as simply the duty of the pastor. I don't think there is any greater duty today than the need for good solid pastors, men who not only give the Word, but men who help people to grow in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord. We need pastors. But he does not call all of us necessarily to be professional pastors but He calls all Christians to be pastors. He calls us to make disciples. Every one of us are to think of the needs of others, to think of the ways we can help them. To think of any way we can be God's instruments to enable them to grow in grace and to come to know some of the riches of His word and understand it. He wants us to go and sicples all nations.

It is very important, therefore that we go and that we act but it is also important that we learn facts. Importnat that we learn how to handle them, that we learn to do things wisely. We need to learn to make decisions.

I heard a story told of the end of the last war. A few months before the end of the last war from what I heard that one day a Lieut. kicked a Colonel, and a private kicked a Seargeant. And the Lieut. and the private were court-marshaled. They asked them: They asked the Lieut. Why did you kick the Colonel? He said, I did not realize he was a Colonel and anyway he kicked against my shins as he walked past so I kicked him. Then they said to the private, Why did you kick the Seargeant? He said, I saw the Lieut. kick the Colonel