DISCIPLESHIP CENTER WORKSHOPS

"CHILD OF GOD" Level

"4 Keys For Staying Grounded In Your Faith" (1.5 hours)

* This workshop contains 4 helps for every Christian who wants to stay strong when doubts, fears, temptations, skeptics, or other problems threaten to take them off the discipleship path. The workshop is especially helpful to someone who has been a Christian for three years or less.

"5 Principles Of Bible Saturation" (1.5 hours)

* Would you like to more effectively apply the Bible to your life? This workshop will give you the five "R's" – five ways to get a better personal grasp on the Bible.

(Material is adapted from a portion of Rick Warren's CLASS 201 Bible content.)

"Suffering In The Life Of The Christian" (2 hours)

* Suffering seems to be an accepted fact of life for Christian and non-Christian alike. What can the Christian do to turn times of personal suffering into growth, with a recognition of God's presence and work? And, what are some practical, helpful ways that the Christian can bolster others who are suffering? This workshop answers both questions, as a way of assisting ourselves and others during difficult times.

"Process Of Temptation" (1 hour)

* There is more to temptation than a serpent, a piece of fruit and two people in a Garden!

This workshop will show you various stages of temptation, and how to take the

"high road" whenever temptation presents itself to you. Lots of Scripture verses,

dealing with sin and temptation, will be covered.

"A Basic Look At The Developing Christian Life" (1 hour)

* Take a detailed, chart-style look at the main events in the life of the Christian. Discover what the Bible has to say about these events. This workshop is especially recommended for persons who have been a Christian for a short time, or have been away from the Christian life for a period of time.

"All About Relationship With God" (2 hours)

* The greatest commandment to "Love God with all your heart" implies a relationship with God. What does that relationship look like? Does it resemble human relationships in any way? This workshop will give you a clear look at many aspects of a person's relationship with God.

"Basics On Time, Talent & Treasure" (1.5 hours)

* God has entrusted each Christian with time, spiritual gifts & abilities, and material resources.

How can we best use each of those to benefit others, and help build God's kingdom?

Get some practical answers, to these questions, through this stewardship-themed workshop.

"Discovering Your S.H.A.P.E., Part 1" (1.5 hours)

* Learn how God has equipped you specifically for serving Him and serving others.

This workshop deals with Spiritual gifts, and includes a Spiritual Gifts test.

(Based on Network materials from Willow Creek Community Church of Chicago.)

* Part 2 of this workshop is located in the "Adult In Christ" level.

"Tool Kit For Faith Sharing, Part 1" (2 hours)

- * You can have more confidence for sharing Christ with others as you learn about:
 - a) Your evangelism style,
 - b) The process by which people move toward a relationship with God, and
 - c) Some helpful bits of wisdom as you work with others about coming to Christ
- * Part 2 of this workshop is located in the "Adult In Christ" level.



"ADULT IN CHRIST" Level

"All About Small Groups" (1.5 hours)

* Thinking about joining a small group, or expanding your church's small group ministry?

This workshop can help give you a realistic idea of what to expect from small groups, tell you why small groups are important, and give you lots of helpful tips that you can use in your small group (including 10 practical suggestions for adding life to your small groups).

"How To Study Your Bible" (2 hours)

* You can get more from your Bible than just a good devotional thought for the day! This workshop will show you how – and you don't have to be a Bible scholar to do it.

Discover five basic questions an individual or a group can use for studying the Bible.

"Prayer For Others" (1 hour)

- * There is a lot more to praying for people in your world than just saying "Lord, bless my family and friends". In this workshop, gather some helps and ideas you can use as you pray for other people. Specific areas of prayer for others included in one resource:
 - What to pray for on behalf of others
 - What to pray for regarding people who need Jesus
 - Things you can pray for regarding your church

"Worship Insights And Helps" (2 hours)

* Puzzled about what worship looks like in the life of Christian? In this workshop, we examine 12 insights that give you and I a more complete look at worship. Included are quotes about worship, a look at Bible passages that deal with worship, and tips for developing a more worshipful attitude in your life.

"Beliefs That Matter Most" (2 hours)

* If a friend, neighbor or co-worker were to ask you what you believe about God, or about the Bible, or about holiness, would you be able to clearly tell them your beliefs?

Why does it matter what we believe, anyway? This workshop can assist you in terms of what we believe, and why we believe it. The workshop is especially helpful for persons who have been a Christian for a short time, or are returning to the Christian life after a period of absence.

"A Survey Of Spiritual Disciplines" (2 hours)

* Spiritual Disciplines are the fruits and vegetables of the Christian life that help us move into a deeper relationship with God. You may have heard of some disciplines, like fasting or solitude, but did you know that there are ten other Spiritual Disciplines that can be a great help to an individual Christian and the Body of Christ.? This workshop will list all 12 disciplines for you, and tell you why these disciplines are worth practicing.

"The Character Of A Follower Of Jesus" (2 hours)

* Do you remember an old hymn entitled "I Want To Be Like Jesus"? There is no better goal for the Christian life than Christ-likeness...but what does that look like in a person's life? This workshop explores being like Christ, in several specific areas:

- The Call To Fruitful Living

- Integrity In Living

- Authentic Love In Action

- God At Work Through Suffering

- Purity Of Life

(Workshop outline based on the book The Character Of A Follower Of Jesus, from NavPress)

"Building Relationships With God's People" (2 hours)

* The journey to heaven is not a solitary one — we travel that road with many other Christians. In this workshop, you will rediscover the benefits of relationships with those fellow Christians, and receive helpful advice from several well-known authors such as John Maxwell, Gary Chapman, and Randy Southern, that will aid you in strengthening your relationships.

"Discovering Your S.H.A.P.E., Part 2" (1.5 hours)

* Learn how God has equipped you specifically for serving Him and serving others.

This workshop deals with Heart, Abilities, Personality, and Experiences. (Based on materials from Rick Warren's C.L.A.S.S. 301)

"Tool Kit For Faith Sharing, Part 2" (2 hours)

- * You can have more confidence about sharing Christ with others as this workshop shows you:
 - a) How to build and present your testimony
 - b) How to lead someone to Christ by using a simple plan
 - c) How to answer objections to the Christian faith

"How To Know And Do God's Will" (1.5 hours)

* One of the most crucial skills that every Christian should have is the ability to know God's will for any situation. How do we find out what God wants us to do? Why is it so important to do what God asks of us? This workshop answers both questions.



"PARENT IN THE SPIRIT" Level

"Who Are You Discipling?" (2 hours)

- * Part of the Great Commission to "go and make disciples" is to facilitate friendships between mature Christians and growing Christians who could use a mature Christian's influence. This workshop gives practical advice for building those friendships, answering questions such as...
 - ... What are the necessary characteristics of a discipler?
 - ... What might a discipling session look like?
 - ... How do I get started in discipling others?
 - ... What do I do if I encounter challenges in the discipling relationship?

"The Spirit-Filled Life (And How To Enter It)" (2 hours)

* We know that the Bible calls Christians to filled with the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 5:18). But what does a Christian need to do in order to be Spirit-filled? What can you expect to happen in course of the Spirit-filled life? What is the connection between sanctification and being filled with the Holy Spirit? All of these questions will be answered in this important holiness workshop.



Other Available Workshops

(Contact Ed Darling for more information about these workshops)

"Listening For God's Voice" (1.5 hours) "Christmas And The Disciple Of Christ" (1.5 hours)

"Helps For Small Group Leaders" (2 hours)

"The Christian Home: What Does It Look Like?"

(1.5 hours)

"Helping Others At Crisis Time" (1.5 hours)

"Five Love Languages" (Marriage Enrichment)

"Helps For Teaching Adults" (1.5 hours) (2 hours)

"Five Love Languages Of Teenagers" (2 hours)

"Easter And The Disciple Of Christ" (1.5 hours)

"The Disciple Conquering Fears" (1 hour)