



GROWTH IN HOLINESS

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Discipling

THE QUESTIONS WE ARE ANSWERING

1. WHAT IS A DISCIPLE?
2. WHAT IS DISCIPLING?
3. WHY MAKE DISCIPLES?
4. WHAT ARE BARRIERS TO AND EXCUSES FOR NOT DISCIPLING?
5. WHAT IS THE GOAL OF DISCIPLING AND HOW DO WE GET THERE?

DEFINITION

Discipling is the people of God perseveringly
proclaiming and modeling the word of God
in prayerful dependence on the Spirit of God
so that others would be more like Christ.

THE GOAL

- MATURITY IN CHRIST – COLOSSIANS 1:28
- CHRISTLIKENESS – ROMANS 8:29
- OBEDIENCE – MATTHEW 28:20
- LOVE – 1 TIM. 1:5
- GODLINESS – 1 TIMOTHY 4:7–8
- HOLINESS – EPHESIANS 1:4;
1 PETER 1:14–16

WRONG GOALS

Knowledge

FOR SOME, TO SIMPLY LEARN
ABOUT SOMETHING IS AKIN TO
MASTERING IN.

"HEARERS BUT NOT DOERS"

JAMES 1:21

Behavior

MORALISM MAKES
BEHAVIORAL CHANGE TO A
MORAL STANDARD THE END
GOAL.

Piety

"LET GO AND LET GOD."
PIETISM MINIMIZES HUMAN
EFFORT IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE
AND ENCOURAGES ONLY
GREATER FAITH, SURRENDER,
AND TRUST.

01 WE WERE SANCTIFIED.

02 WE ARE BEING SANCTIFIED.

03 WE WILL BE SANCTIFIED.

SANCTIFICATION

Past

A ONE-TIME ACTION

MONERGISTIC

HAPPENS AT CONVERSION

1 CORINTHIANS 1:2

1 CORINTHIANS 6:11

HEBREWS 10:10

Present

A PROCESS

SYNERGISTIC

HAPPENS THROUGHOUT
THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

PHILIPPIANS 3:12-15

HEBREWS 12:1-2, 14

Future

A ONE-TIME ACTION

MONERGISTIC

HAPPENS WHEN CHRIST
RETURNS

1 COR. 15:51-53

1 JOHN 3:2

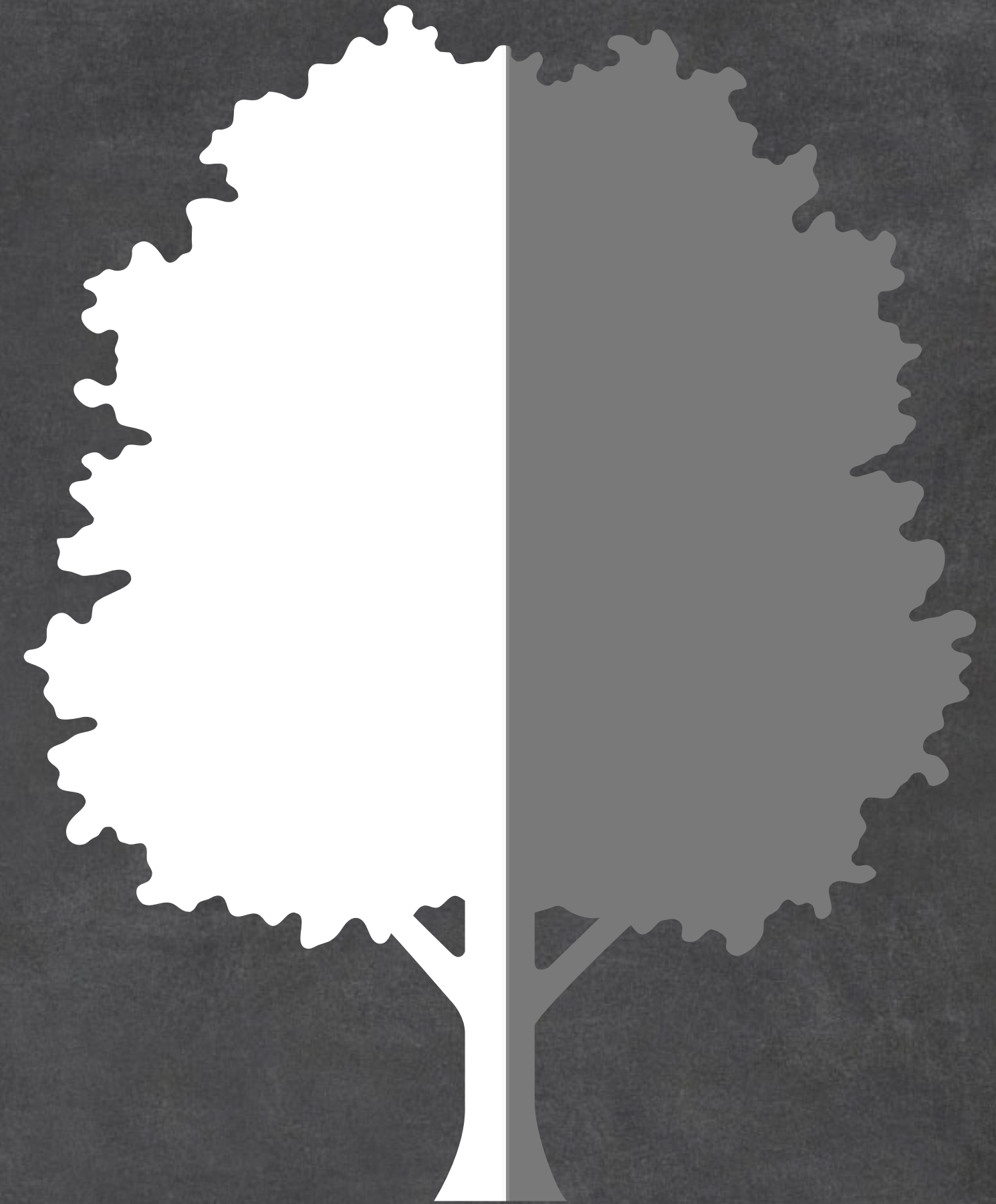
1 THESS. 5:23-24

WHO WORKS IN SANCTIFICATION?

- GOD – PHILIPPIANS 1:6
- US – PHILIPPIANS 2:12–13
- OTHERS – COLOSSIANS 1:29

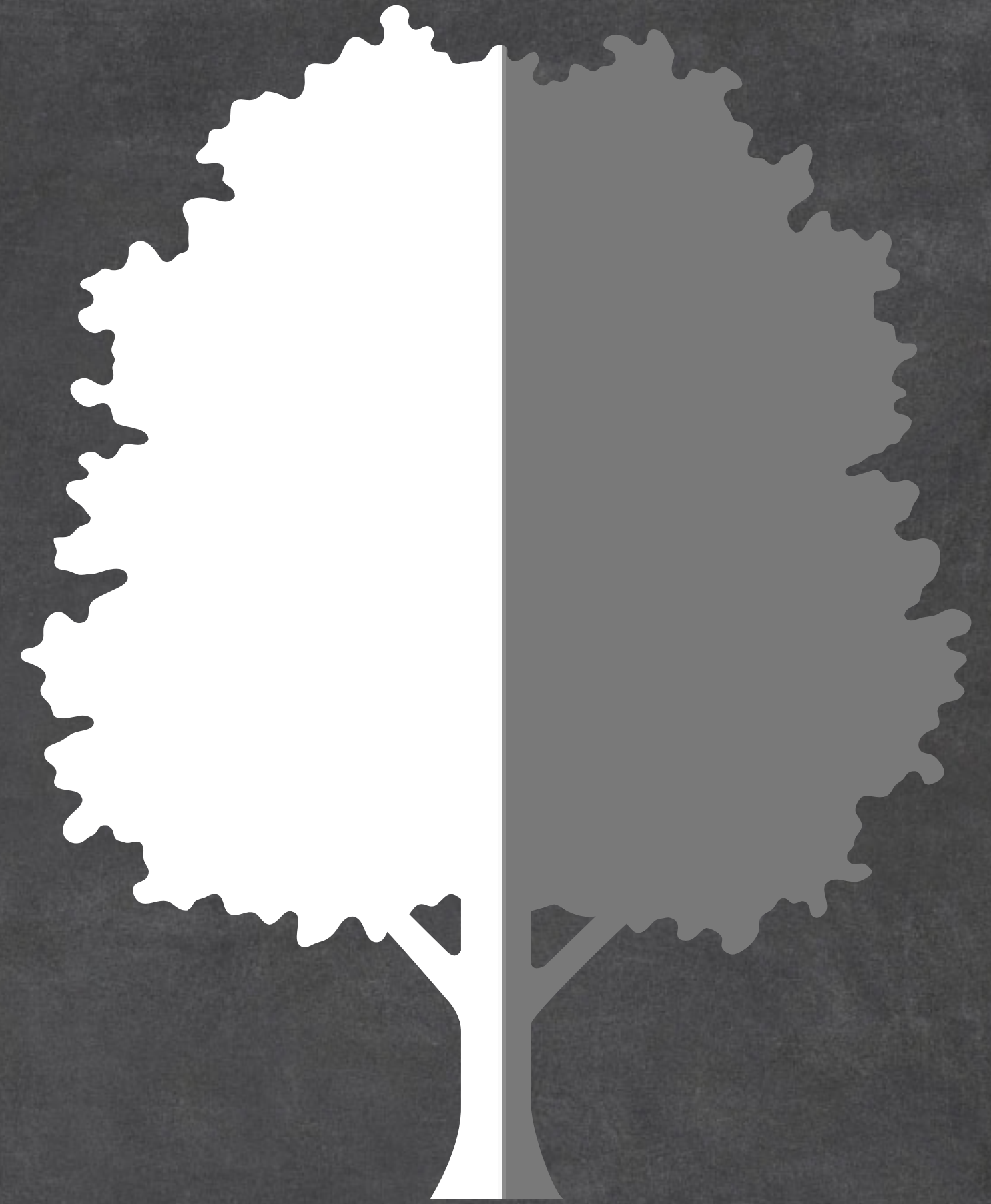
WHAT ALREADY CHANGED

- EPHESIANS 2:1–3
- EPHESIANS 2:4–10
- NOTICE THE “WITH HIM” AND
“IN CHRIST JESUS” PHRASES
- GOD’S GRACE HAS CHANGED US



WHAT STILL NEEDS TO CHANGE

- EPHESIANS 4:1, 17–24
- 1 PETER 2:11
- GALATIANS 5:16–24
- LUKE 6:43–45



THE TREES OF OUR LIVES

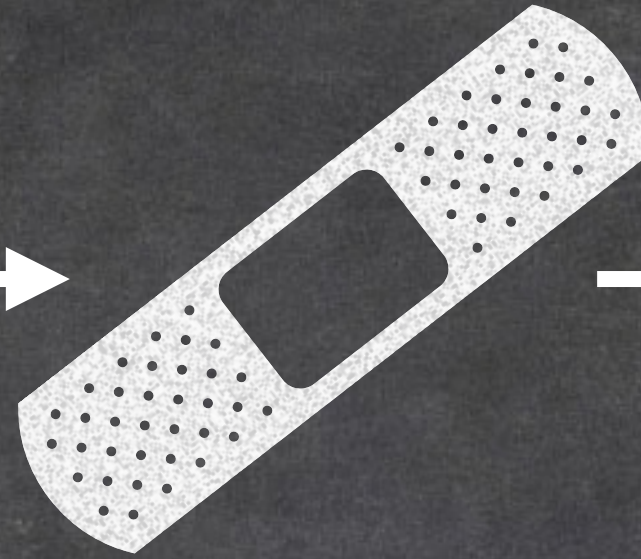
1. **There is an undeniable root and fruit connection between our heart and our behavior.**

People and situations do not determine our behavior; they provide the occasion where our behavior reveals our hearts.

2. **Lasting change always takes place through the pathway of the heart.** Fruit change is the result of root change. Any agenda for change must focus on the thoughts and desires of the heart.

3. **Therefore, the heart is our target in personal growth and ministry.** Our prayer is that God will work heart change in us and use us to produce heart change in others that results in new words, choices, and actions.

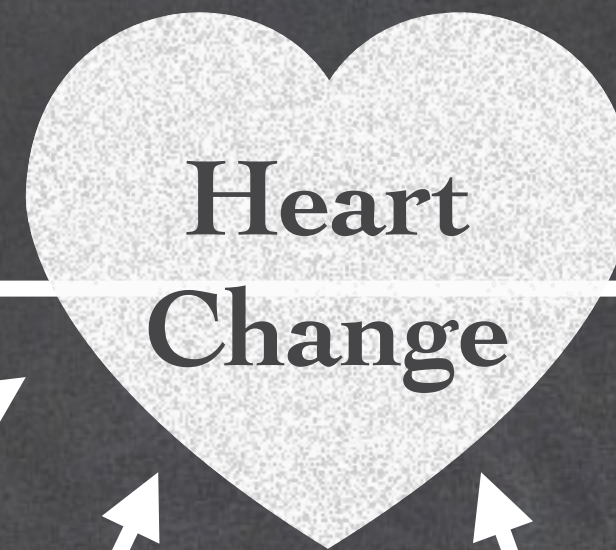
FIX IT EXTERNALLY



**TEMPORARY
SUPERFICIAL
CHANGE**

**NEGATIVE
FRUIT**

BEING AN INSTRUMENT OF CHANGE



**POSITIVE
FRUIT**

Love

Know

Speak

Do

