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This 45th training lesson brings us to the 5th and last major part of the sending ministry.

Review

- The first part dealt with the requirements for us to do the ministry of sending in the right way, mainly the power of the Holy Spirit and prayer for the harvest.
- The second part looked at the first nine of the ten commandments of sending.
- In the third part we learned about the commandment to make disciples: make disciples of all ethnic groups.
- The fourth part was about the fellowship of the disciples. While we teach the disciples in the group, they should start to form a spiritual family, a community of faith, a house church. Out of this several spiritual families and thus also networked house churches.
- This fifth and last part looks at reproduction, multiplication and discipleship movements; a so-called DMM (Discipleship Multiplication/Making Movement).

Multiplication – Discipleship Movement DMM

- The goal of the ministry of sending is to go to the unreached and make disciples there. (Go and make disciples...)
- The training of the disciples happens in community. That is why we form spiritual families, so-called house churches, with the disciples.
- Multiplication is a core value of the nature of God and therefore also a core value in creation!
 - Multiplication lies in the nature of all creation.
 - The Creator himself is a multiplier.
 - It was his intention to create humans, plants and animals in a way that they could reproduce.
- Without reproduction or multiplication creation would stagnate and die.
- It is the same in the spiritual discipleship process.
 - Without reproduction, without multiplication there will be stagnation, standstill and finally death.
- Most churches struggle in the area of multiplication. Perhaps multiplication is the value that churches have neglected the most over the past few centuries.
- However, it is obvious that the Holy Spirit is reintroducing this lost aspect of reproduction and multiplication in a strong way, especially in the actual missionary work.
- Let us take up the comparison between the natural and the spiritual world again and ask ourselves: what are the three most important values, principles and processes of a natural family?
 1. A loving and trusting relationship.
 2. Having children and training them.
 3. Adult children marry, have children themselves and start a new family.
- Thus, multiplication is one of the core values in the natural family.
- It is very similar in spiritual families or the house churches.
 1. A loving and trusting relationship: real community.
 2. Having spiritual children and training them: evangelism and discipleship.
 3. Disciples go themselves, make new disciples and start new communities: multiplication.

Back to creation and the principle of multiplication in creation: God is a God of multiplication. Everything he created, he also equipped with the ability to multiply itself!

Genesis 1:29

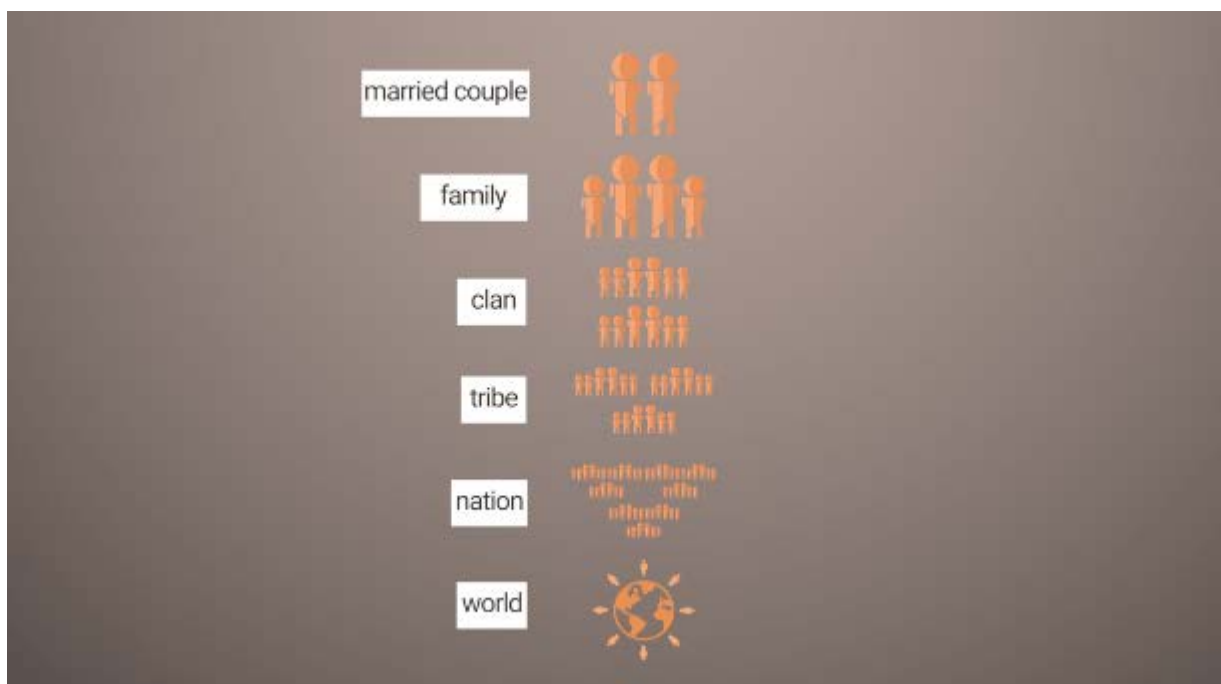
Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food."

Within the context of his creation, the Lord then entrusted humans with a so-called cultural duty.

Genesis 1:28

God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it."

One married couple should fill the earth! Producing 8 to 9 billion children is simply impossible. The great cultural duty cannot possibly be fulfilled without multiplication!



- God gave humans the great cultural duty for creation.
- Jesus also gave a similar great and general duty for the Kingdom of God: the commandment to make disciples.

Matthew 28,18-20

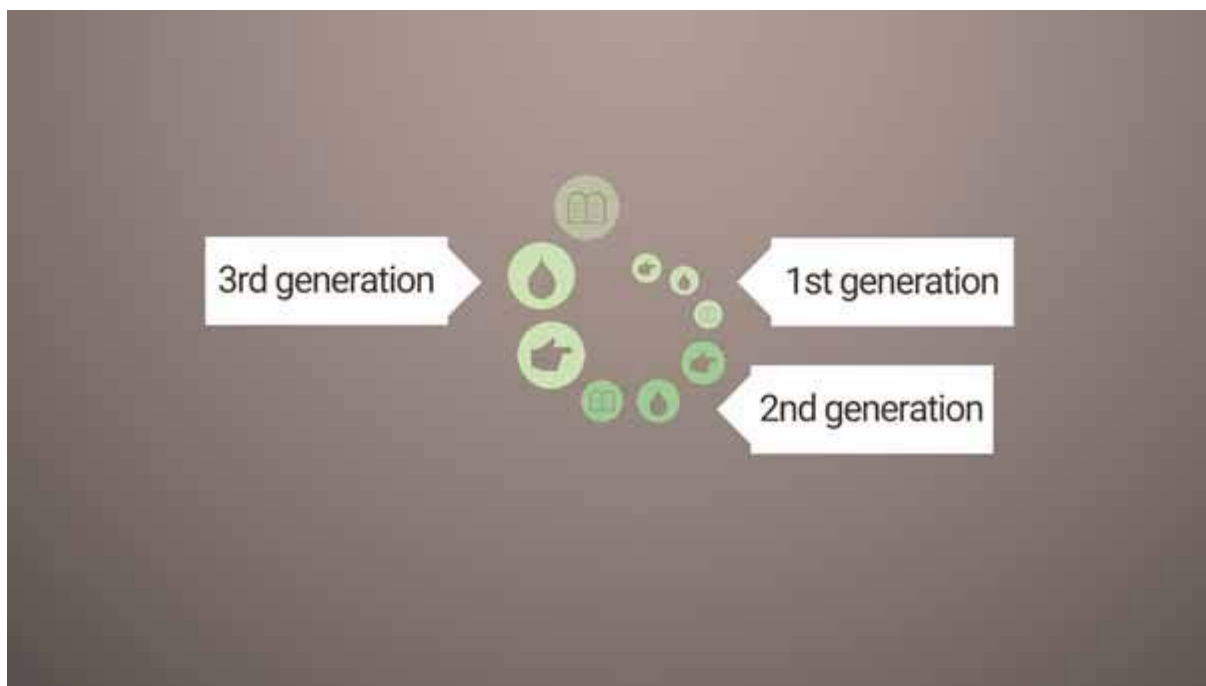
Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

- Even within the spiritual realm, in the Kingdom of God, it is impossible to fulfill the discipleship commandment without multiplication!
- A closer look reveals that the discipleship commandment contains the instruction for multiplication and reproduction. Indeed, it is an order to start a discipleship movement. The task cannot be fulfilled otherwise!
- Make disciples and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you.

The discipleship commandment actually already implies:

- A discipleship reproduction cycle

- A discipleship multiplication cycle
- A discipleship movement
- A DMM – Disciple Multiplication Movement (1000 baptized persons, 100 groups, 4 generations)



The discipleship commandment means:

- The people who have been made disciples,

- transform others to be what they are, which is a disciple.
- The discipleship commandment is actually a discipleship multiplication commandment.
- The people who are disciple makers themselves, make of others what they are, which is a disciple maker.

Paul describes the secret for a discipleship movement in 2 Timothy 2:2. It is the core principle for a movement.

2 Timothy 2:2

And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.

- Pass on what you have received.
- Example: We are doing a training in Africa. The training leaders decided to give some credit for mobile phones to all participants, so they could call their wives after each training part and tell them what they had learned.
- We should not store up for years what we have learned. We should immediately pass on what we have received so far.
- If you have
 - heard the Gospel, tell your neighbor.
 - been baptized (in water and Spirit), baptize others.
 - been disciplined, disciple others.
 - received deliverance, deliver others.
 - received healing, heal others.
- This is the principle from 2 Timothy 2:2.

The big picture



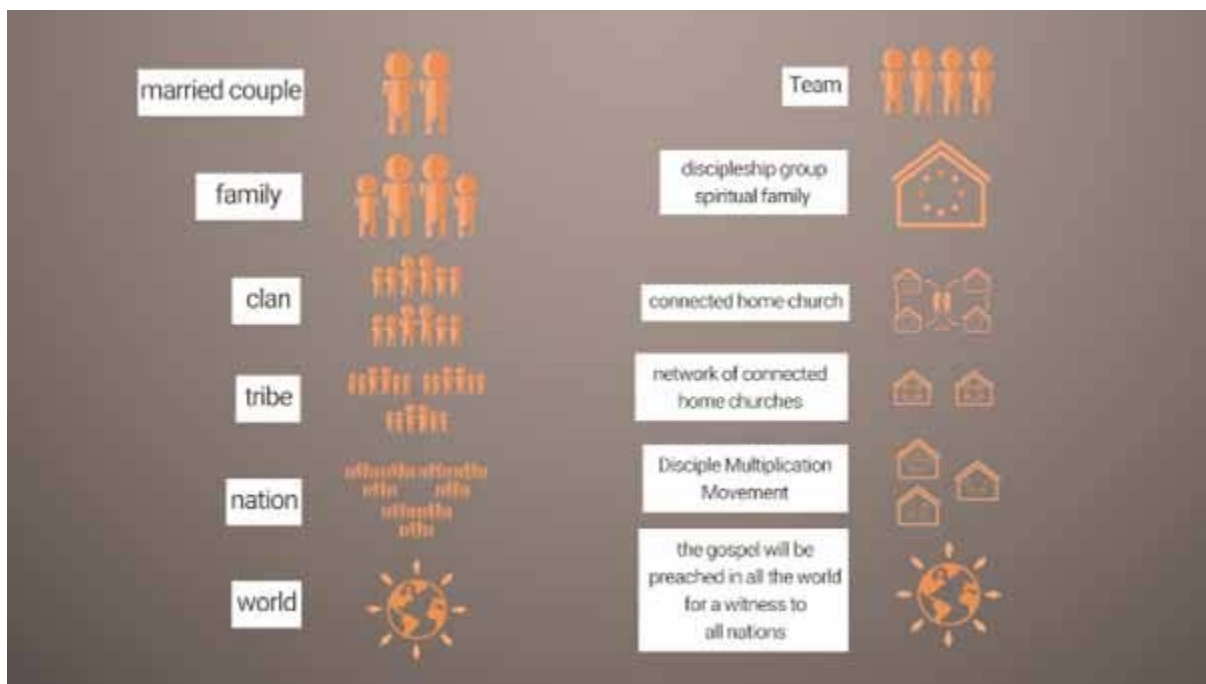
How does this discipleship commandment work?

We start with a group of sent ones. They start a discipleship group. A spiritual family is then formed, which then develops into more spiritual families and then into a networked house church. Out of this networked house church, more networked house churches are formed, which starts a movement. This goes on until all ethnic groups, tribes and peoples are “covered”

with the Gospel. This is clearly the goal, the vision that Jesus had and which he entrusted and is entrusting to his disciples.

Summary

Multiplication is a core value in creation and as well in the Kingdom of God. The great cultural duty and the great discipleship commandment cannot be fulfilled without multiplication. When we compare the following two columns in the illustration we see that the same principles apply in creation as well as in the Kingdom of God.



Part II: Application

- a) Someone from the group summarizes this teaching in his own words. If anything is missing, the others can add to the summary.

- b) Group discussion

c) Write down personal insights from the teaching

d) Share with the group who exactly you want to train in this lesson

e) Each group presents what they learned and the specific goals they want to pursue now:
(outreach/group meeting).

Part III: Outreach

Prayer (4 hours/week), going (4 hours/week), discipleship (4 hours/week), community of faith (3 hours/week).

1. PRAYING:
 - A) Prayer walk with a partner or the team for 2 hours every week ☐
 - B) Pray 1 hour for your disciples before every discipleship meeting ☐
 - C) Pray 1 hour before every community meeting ☐
2. GO: to the unreached you have a heart for ☐
3. Look for persons of peace ☐
4. PREACH: the gospel of the Kingdom of God ☐
5. EXPLAINING: the way of salvation ☐
6. Evangelistic Bible studies with interested people ☐
7. Share your personal testimony with five other people ☐
8. Call to repentance and to follow Jesus ☐
9. FAITH, REPENTANCE, BAPTISM AND RECEIVING THE HOLY SPIRIT ☐
10. Pray for sick people during an outreach ☐
11. Raise a dead person if you are led to do so ☐
12. Seek to hear God's voice and the guidance of the Holy Spirit ☐
13. Pray for the 200 million persecuted Christians in the world, pray for your "persecutors" and bless those who are cursing you ☐
14. Continue to teach all 16 lessons to the discipleship group and coach them in it ☐
15. Continue to train leaders of networked house churches ☐
16. Introduce the "Pass on what you've received"-principle to your disciples, discipleship groups, spiritual families, networked house churches, deacons and elders. ☐

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