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A STUDY OF POLARITIES:
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WEEK 5:
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The call of every Christian is to make disciples who make disciples. But to be obedient to this command, you must first experience Jesus' transformation in your own life. We need the best of both. **Let's explore what the Bible says about this polarity.**

DAY 1: BEING DISCIPLES

A personal relationship with God is essential; we must cultivate this relationship. Without a relationship with God, nothing else matters. No amount of good work in God's name has significance apart from being deeply connected with him. It's only by being Jesus's disciples that we can then make disciples.

ROMANS 12:1-21
- What does this say about being a disciple?
- What about this chapter is difficult for you to live out?
- Being a disciple means loving God, loving people, and making disciples. What keeps you from loving people as part of your role in being a disciple?

DAY 2: MAKING DISCIPLES

Making disciples is the mark of a disciple of Jesus. It's who we are and the natural outpouring of becoming a disciple. Making disciples is so intimately connected with being a disciple that while they're distinct, they can't be completely separated.

MATTHEW 28:16-20
- What does this say about making disciples?
- Based on this passage, why do we make disciples?
- What comes to your mind when you think about obeying everything Jesus has commanded and helping others to do the same?
- What challenges you from this passage?

DAY 3: REFLECTION

Take time to reflect on what you've discovered from studying the different examples of being a disciple and making disciples.

1. How have you sought God's wisdom as you have explored balancing this polarity this week?
2. Who have you partnered with to explore this polarity? Who has helped you along the way?
3. What tension do you feel as you read these passages?
4. How do you need to obey these passages and manage the tension of being a disciple and making disciples in your own life?