

3D Training Center

APPLICATION FOR RETURNING STUDENTS

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Instructions / Check off when complete

1. Applicant must have satisfactorily completed a year of 3DTC studies
2. Type or print legibly. Fill in every section. Use "N/A" when not applicable.
3. Read the entire 3DTC Vision and Discipleship Statement
4. Attach photocopy of any changes to your medical insurance (if applicable)
5. Send application and essay by mail or email to:
 Disciple Makers Multiplied - 3DTC
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ABOUT YOU

Male Female

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Maiden Name
Home Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Social Security Number	Date of Birth		

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Your Home Phone Number	Your Cell Number	Your Email

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name _____ Relation _____ Phone Number () - _____ Email _____

MARITAL STATUS

Single Engaged Married Remarried Divorced Widow/Widower Separated

Do you have any dependents: Yes No If yes, list and describe situation _____

CITIZENSHIP

City/Country of Birth: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____

WRITTEN RESPONSE

Please attach a 1-2 page paper outlining why you desire to return to 3DTC next year.

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Do you have health insurance? *Circle one:* YES NO

If **YES**, you will need to provide a copy of your insurance information for record-keeping and emergency purposes.

If **NO**, initial that you acknowledge that no health insurance coverage will be provided for you by 3DTC. *Initials:* _____

Do you have any medical conditions or history that would be pertinent to your time attending 3DTC? If YES, please describe here:

Disclaimer: You are responsible for any costs pertaining to your medical needs during your attendance at 3DTC (with or without insurance).

DECLARATION

I have read the 3DTC Vision and Discipleship Statement.

I understand that the 3D Training Center is not accredited and will not seek to become accredited, and that I will be issued a non-accredited degree upon satisfactory completion of this program.

I understand that I am to be engaged in all classes (no sleeping, games, assignments, computer, phone, or headphone use during sessions). If I am nodding off, I am to stand in the back of the classroom.

I understand that as a returning student I am held to a **higher standard** and expected to lead by example and maturity.

I understand that as a returning student I may be asked to bear more responsibility than I did in the prior year.

I declare that the information provided in this entire application is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge. () YES () NO

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Our Challenge to You

We would like to challenge you to read Matthew 10 and reflect on a few lessons of biblical discipleship. As you can see, discipleship is often costly, exhausting, and even demanding. Jesus expected a lot out of His disciples. The discipleship “strategy” of Jesus was to equip and then get out of the way. He did not make things easy for His followers but rather encouraged a walk of faith in Him. Jesus raised the bar; He never lowered it. Is this not also what Paul expected out of young Timothy? He invested in and encouraged Timothy, but he also expected Timothy to rise to the occasion in his absence, trusting the Lord in all.

3D is a discipleship training center. From our website: “3DTC is an **accelerated intensive** designed to prepare young adults for a life of service to Jesus Christ in college, career and beyond.” So be prepared for high expectations and challenging tasks.

We would like you to honestly ask yourself: Why am I here at 3DTC? Is it primarily for fun and fellowship or am I here to grow in my faith. The goal of 3D is not to alleviate uncomfortable situations but rather to teach you to trust the Lord, whether it be regarding difficult relationships, public speaking, writing papers, financial difficulties, duties you are asked to perform, undesirable jobs you are asked to do, or any other situation you find difficult. God purposefully brings these kinds of trials into all our lives to take us out of our comfort zones. He wants us to trust in Him alone, not in ourselves.

Jesus gave us the perfect example of a disciple-maker. He not only left His comfort zone, He became a servant to all. And He not only became a servant, He faced unimaginable suffering when He took on Himself the sins of the world. As His disciples, we are called to have the same attitude He had – to consider others before ourselves and to join with Him in His suffering as Paul taught throughout the book of Philippians (see 1:27-29; 2:3-9, 17; 3:7-15).

In Matthew 28:19-20 we see that a large part of being a disciple-maker involves teaching the word of God. At 3D our goal is for you to learn God’s word and internalize it so that you can effectively communicate it to others. In this process you are asked to do a lot of reading, to write papers, to do quizzes and exams and to meet deadlines. Not only are these important life skills but being a faithful (dependable) person is the mark of a disciple-maker as seen in 2 Timothy 2:2.

Be assured, you will have many occasions where you feel ill-equipped. You will fail. At times you will face uncomfortable, or maybe even seemingly impossible, situations. All these are opportunities for you to throw yourself completely on the Lord. And when you do, you will find that He is always faithful and that He can do through you what you never thought possible. In John 15:1-11 Jesus spoke to His disciples concerning these very matters, assuring them that without Him they could do NOTHING.

We are here for you in this process. At 3D you have a support system that includes like-minded believers who love and care for you. This does not mean we will help you find an escape from hard situations. Grace is not about us getting to do what is easy for us, it is about God giving us what we need and always being there for us. When you fail, there is forgiveness and help to get up again.

Think of Peter. Jesus allowed Peter to fail many times, and in the end, Peter was greatly used by God in the establishment of the early church. Even when it comes to speaking and writing, God can change and transform your speaking and writing skills for His glory (the apostles, including the very same uneducated and untrained Peter and John) were used to pen the New Testament (Acts 4:13).

3DTC VISION STATEMENT

(The following is given for visibility, so you can know why we do what we do in 3DTC.)

An impossible imperative (Matthew 14:13-21)

Without doubt or question, we exist for the glory of God and to fulfill the great mission of Jesus Christ to go and make disciples of all the nations. We exist to work in concert (never in competition) with Christ's vision regarding the church: "I will build my church and the gates of hell will not prevail against it." We are passionate about being His witnesses (staying accurate, clear, and faithful to the gospel message) in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the utter extremes of the earth. These principles guide and govern our efforts and energies and are at the heart of why we exist.

The very most important goal of 3D is making disciple-makers who are passionate about the above. For this purpose, we labor to create teachers who can clearly articulate the truth to the next generation and who have the mind of Christ about the church, disciple-making, and the gospel.

The following are the irreducible minimums of why we exist:

- **For the blessing of the Church** – a passion and love for what Christ loves and wants everywhere on earth, which is the church.
- **For disciple-making** – teaching teachers who go on to teach others, which involves a passion for investing in people and an understanding of how to do that.
- **For promoting a clear gospel message** – a clarity and passion for the greatest and only truly life-changing message on earth.

The Church

- Although we are not a local church, we are intentionally focused on creating people who can go on to be pastors, missionaries, church-planters, elders, teachers, and effective users of spiritual gifts in local churches everywhere.
- Because of this we want to be conscientious and thoughtful in our relationship with our local churches. We don't want to have a sloppy attitude in relation to our local church (BBC in this case).
 - We need to maintain a very respectful and thoughtful relationship with not only the eldership, but with the congregation in general. If we disregard this, we could suddenly find ourselves in competition with, rather than companionship with, the church of Jesus Christ.
 - The church has autonomous leadership, and we must always submit to that fact. This is something we need to always understand and something we want to convey to each class that comes our way. As we become more familiar with the church, it might make us think we have some sort of ownership or rights, and we never want to get that mentality. Our efforts, wherever possible, should align with the goals of our local church.
- Because our goal is to get people ready for effective church-oriented ministry, focus and clarity on the New Testament church is always going to be imperative (this passion is why we teach curriculums like the Panorama of the NT, 1 Corinthians, 1 Timothy, Titus, Revelation 2-3).

Disciple-making

- Disciple-making is clearly "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you (Matt. 28:20)," and passing on "the things that you have heard of Him among many witnesses (2 Tim. 2:2)." In other words, it is spending time with people with great intentionality, with the goal of declaring to them the "whole purpose of God (Acts 20:27)" and entrusting them "to God and to the word of His

grace, which is able to build [them] up (Acts 20:32).” It is seeing them grow to the point of being able, without you, to go forth and do the same with others.

- Disciple-making is unique. Few understand it. Fewer yet are willing to embrace it and give their lives for it. Plainly, it all revolves around the word of God and getting the word of God into lives. Disciple-making is just a fancy word for investing the God’s word into the fabric and foundation of people’s lives. It is “teaching faithful people to teach (Paul in 2 Timothy 2:2)” and “teaching them to observe all that I have commanded (Jesus in Matthew 28:20)”.
- Without question, investing in lives is the heart of making disciple-makers and was observably the heart of Christ’s mission from the beginning of His ministry. Starting with His reception of the Holy Spirit, as soon as He came out of the water and as His ministry began, Christ was single-hearted in disciple-making.
- Our goal and deepest desire should always be to convey the actual person of Christ to those we invest in. If we forget this, we end up with legalism or even mere knowledge-based academics. Christ is our example. He did not hold on to His title as God. He was willing to put a towel around His waist and serve His grumbling disciples for the purpose of showing them what ministry truly looks like. **He came to serve, not to be served.**

The Gospel

- Since the gospel is the power of God unto salvation (Rom. 1:16), it is imperative to handle the message with reverence. 3DTC strives to not only present a clear and accurate representation of the person and work of Jesus Christ, but to also identify inaccurate and unclear gospel presentations.
- We at 3DTC believe that the gospel is central to the walk of faith as well. As believers in Christ in whom God the Holy Spirit lives, as we realize that we died with Christ to sin, we have the grace of God available to us day by day to deliver us from the *power* of sin in our lives.