

# RELEVANT PRACTICAL MINISTRY FOR MEN

# THE ORDINARY MAN'S GUIDE TO DISCIPLE MAKING

"These are two ordinary guys that know Jesus. You can feel it as you read their book, it has really touched my heart", says Jeremy Aubrey of Logansport, IN who recently reached out to us.

Jeremy, a member of the Church of God in Logansport goes on to say "I am in leadership of a men's group at my church, and will be ordering several copies of Real-Life Discipleship for our men to go through. I think it is an excellent guide on discipleship for new Christians coming into the church. It will be very easy for them to follow what Tom and Tom have to say.



#### CALENDAR

IGNITE PATHWAY TRAINING
September 21

Grace Bible Church, Florissant MO

REAL-LIFE DISCIPLESHIP PAPERBACK RELEASE September

NAT. COALITION OF MEN'S MINISTRY
October 22-23

Dallas, TX

LEADING NOBLE MEN
November 7
1st United Methodist Church
Springfield IL

Keynote: Randy Pope

The book is highly readable. For me what really grabbed my attention was the personal testimonies of the authors, they were very heartfelt. The book is exactly what it says it is, very easy to read."

Jeremy recently attended the Bold Men's Conference in Monticello, IN that we were honored to speak at. Each man that attended received a copy of Real-Life Discipleship.

Real-Life Discipleship, is now available through Amazon.com as well as through our website, www.rpmfm.org in paperback. The Audible version will be released soon. Hundreds of books have already been sold coast to coast through our website and other vendor outlets.

Our enthusiasm isn't about making sales. It is knowing that our teachings, insight, and real life experiences on discipleship are having an impact on men, and as a result in families and communities.

### **GENSLER'S CORNER**

I spent the past four months running with my daughter, Ruby Sue. We started out running .4 of a mile and now can run 2 miles without stopping. I noticed early on in our running that Ruby will only run when I run and only as far as I am willing to run. She stops when I stop, even if its a shorter run then we agreed to.

A few weeks back we had a friend run with us who has been training to go into the Marines. She ran much faster then I could run, but Ruby ran with her the whole way and didn't even struggle doing it. It dawned on me then that Ruby had much more in the tank then I first thought.

Our kids are willing to go where we lead them, and as far as we lead them, but they most likely wont go further then we lead them.

We as fathers/parents are the pace setter. We are the benchmark. Our kids will follow us somewhere or nowhere at all.

Set the Spiritual Pace, dads...set the Spiritual Pace, moms...Be the Example!

TOM GENSLER

## **CORDS NOT EASILY BROKEN**

Are you surrounded by Godly men?

I have found that when I have lacked such relationships, it tended to lead to some sort of backsliding—sin—that doesn't happen when there are other men who I am in relationship with, being transparent with, and being held accountable by. I want to acknowledge Real-Life Discipleship is born out of men like these investing in my life

and modeling what it looks like to be in a disciple-making relationship. There are countless men who have helped me in this way.

My disciplers have different personalities, strengths, and character; the commonality is they genuinely invest in me. As slow on the uptake as I am in a lot of ways, God has helped me see more and more of the truth of relational discipleship as these men help me mature toward Christlikeness.

God is the change agent, not the discipler, but men modeling and living a relational life with us is how God works through fellow sinners to move us down the maturity trail. Woe is the man who doesn't have Godly men in his life.

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. —Ecclesiastes 4:9-10.

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