# Discussion Guide for Resource Video We Make Disciples

## **Getting Started: Pre-Video Group Exercise (15-20 Minutes)**

- Before watching the video, briefly share your answer to the following questions with one or two other people in a small group. (7-10 minutes)
  - o Who is a disciple of Jesus Christ? Or,
  - o How would you know if a person is a disciple of Jesus?
- Before watching the video, gather answers to the following question from the whole group. (7-10 minutes)
  - How do churches currently make Christ-like disciples on your district?

### Watch Video (10 Minutes)

### Reflection: Post-Video Discussion Group Exercise (20-30 Minutes).

### In groups of 3-5, discuss the following:

- In the video, the goal of discipleship in the Wesleyan tradition is described as "the restoration of people to the image of God so that all of our relationships are characterized by love."
  - o Is this the goal of discipleship in your local church?
    - If yes, how do you accomplish this goal?
    - If no, what is the goal of discipleship in your local church and how do you accomplish this goal?
- In the video, one of the results of discipleship in the Wesleyan tradition is that disciples "become co-workers with God, joining God's redemptive mission in the world."
  - How are disciples in your local church joining God's redemptive mission in the world?
- What are the barriers to making Christ-like disciples of Jesus in your local church? How are you overcoming these barriers?

Reporting: Share your small group answers with the larger group (10-15 Minutes)

### **Action: Post-Video Large Group Discussion (15-20 Minutes)**

- What are the primary means of grace practiced in your local church?
- How do you equip disciples in your local church to practice the various "means of grace" for the purpose of becoming Christ-like disciples of Jesus? (For example how do people learn to: Pray? Search the Scriptures? Serve? Worship? Share financially with those in need?)
- What steps can your local church take to connect people of various ages (children, youth, adults, senior adults) with:
  - 1) others in the church; and
  - 2) people outside the local church, for the purpose of making Christ-like disciples?

#### **Closing: Personal Reflection (5-10 Minutes)**

 In the final minutes, answer the following for yourself: What actions will you take to personally lead your church in making Christ-like disciples in the next three months?
 Share your answer with one other person for accountability. Pray for each other.



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