



4 Commitments of a DISCIPLE-MAKING CHURCH

Colossians 1:24-29

Part 2

The Dream

**that the message of Jesus
would spread out from this
place – *person by person* –
until there's an epidemic of
changed lives all around this
island**

2 main phrases - framework

“to make the word of God fully known” *(vs. 25)*

“that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus” *(vs. 28)*

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Question 1:

*Who is to be the focus of this
discipleship ministry?*

Answer: *“every man” (vs. 28)*

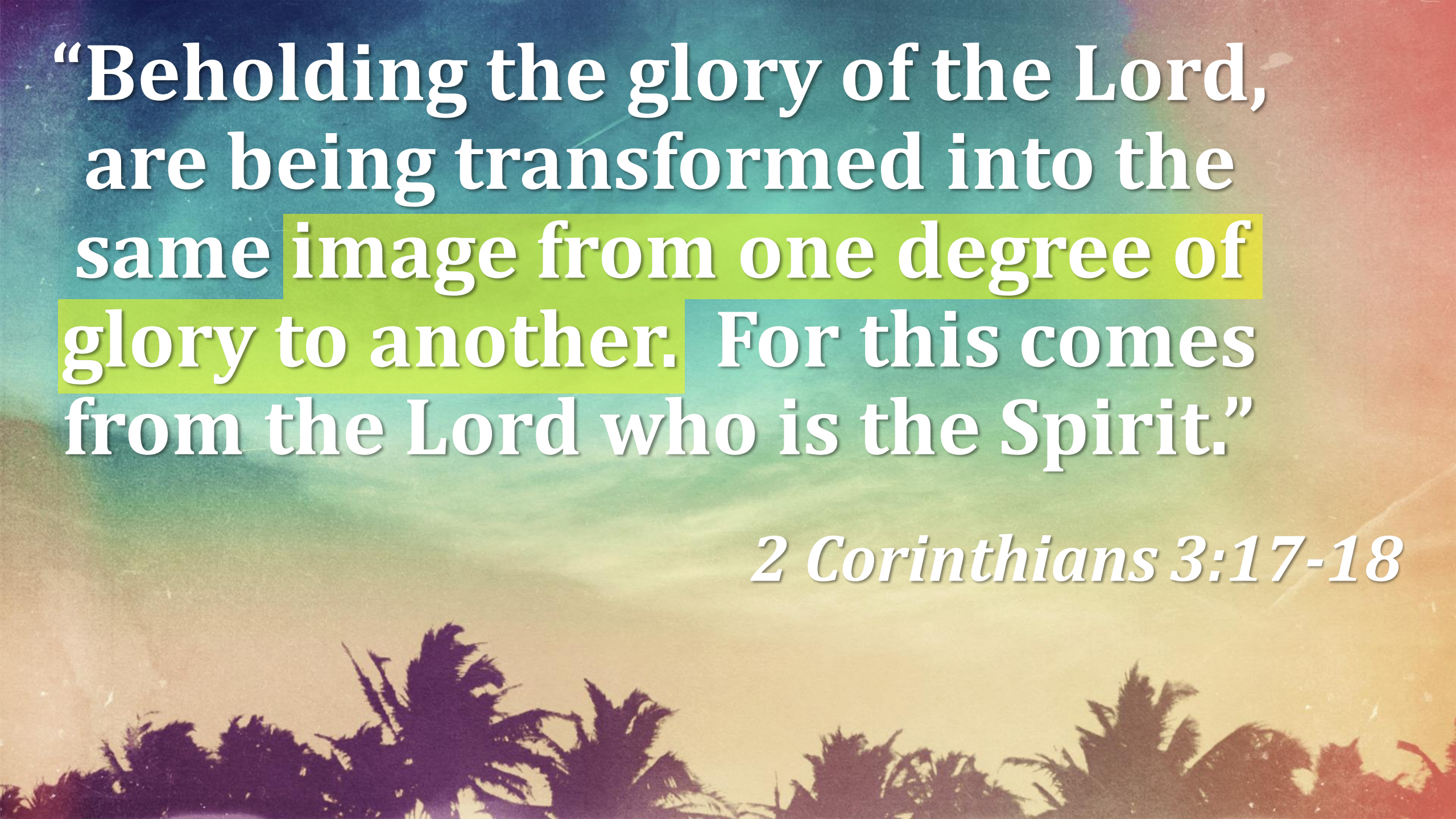


Question 2:

*What is the goal of this
discipleship ministry?*

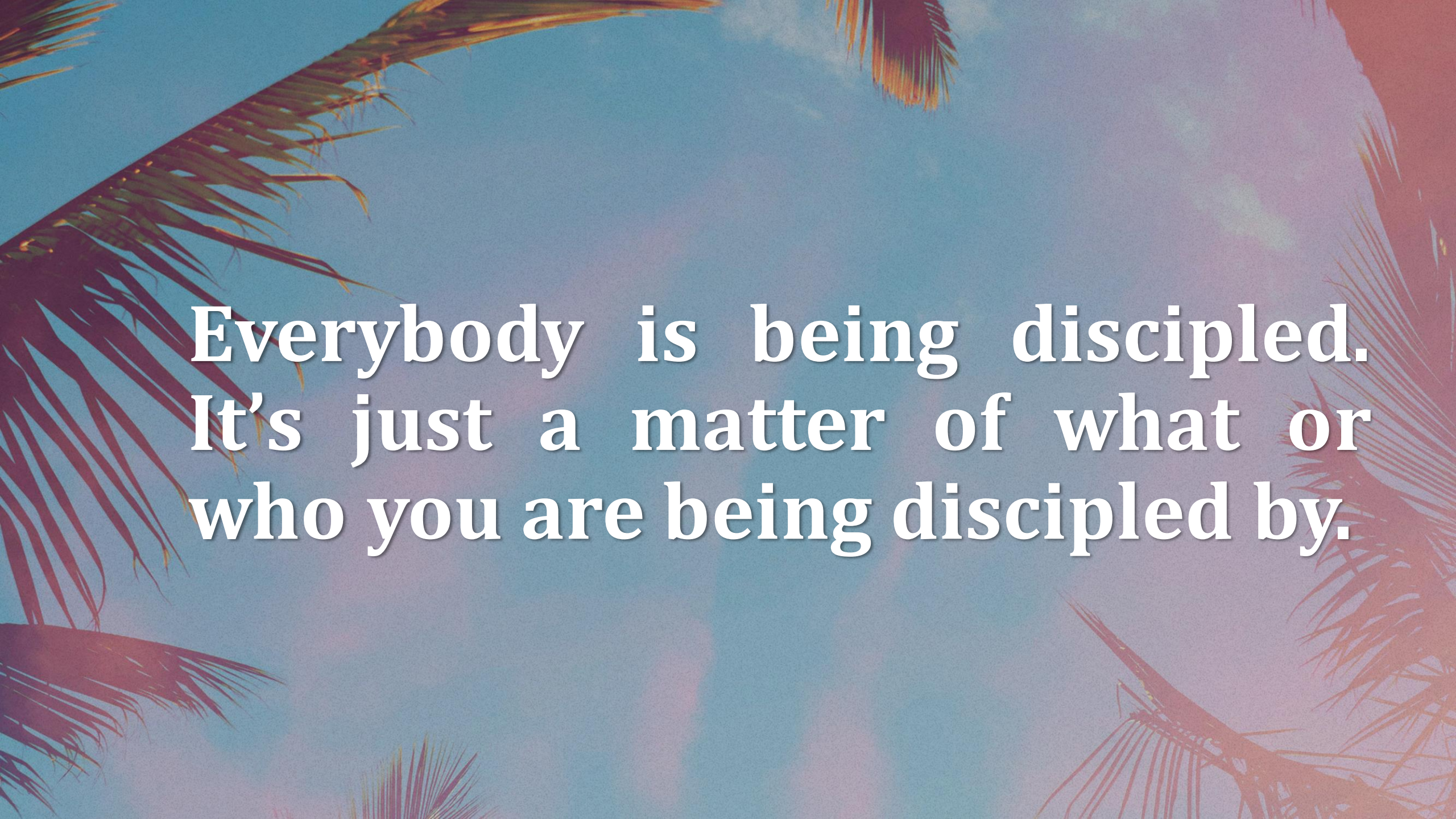
Answer:

*spiritual maturity “present
every man perfect in Christ”*

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“Beholding the glory of the Lord,
are being transformed into the
same image from one degree of
glory to another. For this comes
from the Lord who is the Spirit.”

2 Corinthians 3:17-18

The background of the image is a tropical scene. It features several palm fronds, some of which are in the foreground, creating a sense of depth. The sky is a clear, vibrant blue, and there are some soft, white clouds visible in the distance. The overall lighting suggests a bright, sunny day.

Everybody is being disciplined.
It's just a matter of what or
who you are being disciplined by.

DISCIPLESHIP

growing to be like Jesus

Deep work - over time - in community





Question 3:

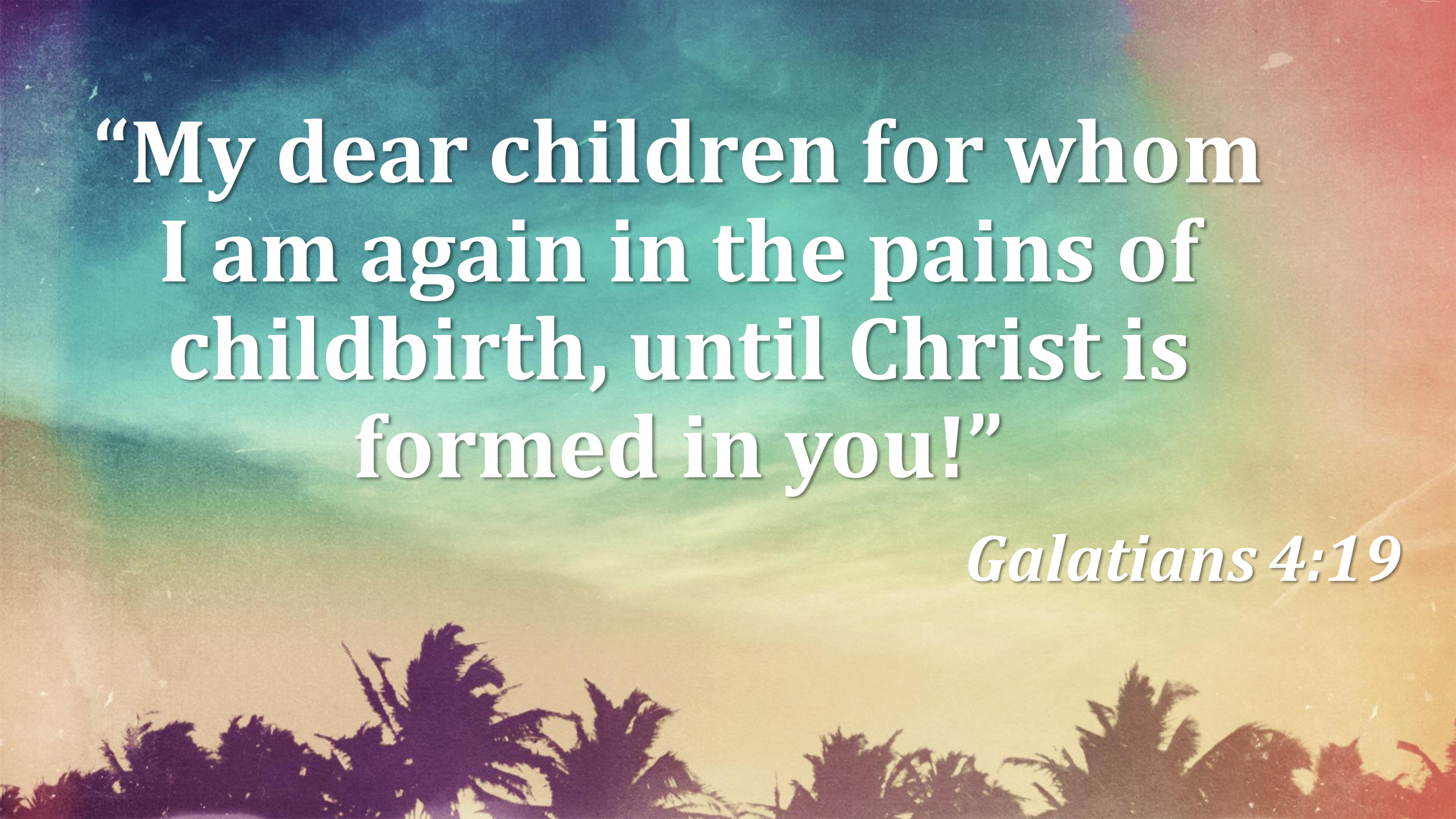
Why is this discipleship ministry so important?

Answer:

we are accountable to God for it “present every man perfect in Christ”

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“My dear children for whom
I am again in the pains of
childbirth, until Christ is
formed in you!”

Galatians 4:19



DISCIPLESHIP

is

helping people through stages
of maturity when it is long and
when it is hard



**“God does not offer a call to an easy
life, but He offers a great life.”**

Holy sweat. Radical commitment.

Tenacious. Persistence.

Tireless followers of Jesus.

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If you want a ‘couch potato’ life, following Jesus is not for you. But if you want a great life, embrace the daring of the soldier and the devotion of an athlete.”

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2 Challenges of vs. 29

- “spectating believers” - you need to get busy
- “exhausted believers” - don’t try to do it on your own

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