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## Make Church Matter

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*Christianity is not a monument or a museum.  
It's a movement. It's got to move.*

As the Lord called the disciples, he formed them into a cohesive whole, an integrated group, and he always insisted that they work together. Ministry belongs to Christ; we just get to participate in it for a while. We do it together because that is how God asks us to do it and because that's how it works most effectively.

Disciples are students who are growing to love God and love others as Jesus taught us. A disciple is growing beyond the sin and the self-defeating behaviour that goes with being lost and then beyond the selfishness of consumer religion. A disciple willingly sets out on a path of more and more dying to sin and selfishness so that Christ may live in him or her.

*Christianity  
without  
discipleship is  
always  
Christianity  
without Christ*

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

The night before Jesus died he prayed for unity among the disciples. It should be part of our prayer, too.

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