Week 5 Lesson Summary

Micro-Community: Discipleship + Missional Activity

Traditional church strategies rely heavily on centralized programs and professional leadership, which often fosters consumerism and relegates mission to periodic church events. To cultivate a reproducible, self-motivating culture of disciple-making, the center of mission can shift to decentralized, highly accountable **micro-groups** (triads of 2–3 people).

Rather than relying on workbooks or designated leaders, micro-groups operate on peer-led ministry focused on three weekly commitments: **confessing sin and praying for one another, studying and applying Scripture, and missional prayer and activity**. Restricted by gender to foster openness and vulnerability, these groups maintain a strict cap of 2 to 3 participants—splitting into two new groups shortly after a fourth joins—to foster continuous multiplication and prevent members from turning inward.

Crucially, **micro-communities unify personal discipleship and missional engagement into a single, interwoven practice.** Spiritual transformation occurs as believers actively step into mission together. By empowering every believer, these flexible groups dismantle dependency on programmatic structures, allowing ordinary Christians to naturally integrate spiritual practice and gospel outreach into every domain of daily life.

Supporting Scriptures

Mutual Accountability, Confession, & Peer Discipleship: James 5:16; Ecclesiastes 4:9–12; Galatians 6:1–2

Multiplication & Sentness (Going Two-by-Two): Luke 10:1–3; 2 Timothy 2:2; Hebrews 10:24–25

Unifying Discipleship & Mission (Hearers & Doers): James 1:22–25; Matthew 28:18–20; 1 Peter 4:10–11