

A Biblical Model of Discipleship

1 Thessalonians 2:7-12

Every Christian can give four gifts to those he disciples:

I. Give them _____ . 7

“But we were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children.

II. Give them the _____ . 8a

So, being affectionately desirous of you we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God...

III. Give them _____ in authentic spirituality. 8b

...but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

A. Model hard work 9

For you remember, brothers, our labor and toil: we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God.

B. Model holiness 10

You are witnesses, and God also, how holy and righteous and blameless was our conduct toward you believers.

C. Model positive influence 11-12a

For you know how, like a father with his children, we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you...

IV. Give them the _____ . 12b

...to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.”