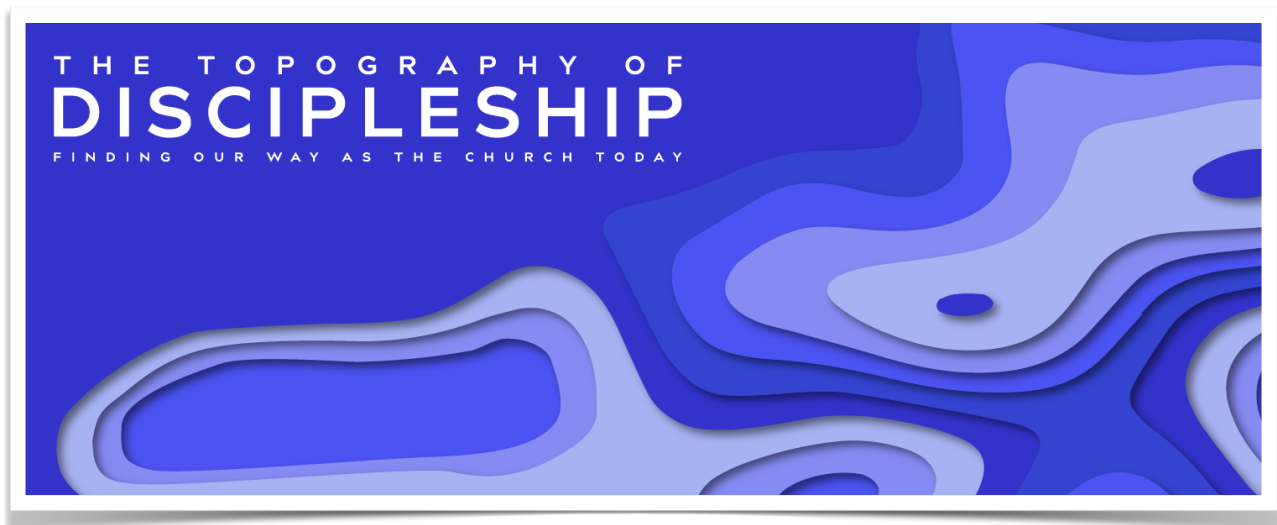


GBC Discipleship RESOURCE



THE TOPOGRAPHY OF DISCIPLESHIP

FINDING OUR WAY AS THE CHURCH TODAY

Week One | The Divine Context

For a brief overview of why (and how) to engage in each of these practices, you can read the Guideline For Growing on our website.

<https://www.gymeabaptist.org.au/growing/pages/guideline-for-growing>

OVERVIEW

This week we begin a nine-week sermon series entitled “The Topography of Discipleship: Finding Our Way As The Church Today” in which we will explore the five relational contexts that God uses to bring us to maturity as followers of Jesus. These contexts are taken from the book *Discipleship That Fits* by Bobby Harrington and Alex Absalom. The series will alternate between exploring what a specific relational context does for our discipleship and how we might encourage the context in our community of faith at GBC. The discipleship menus will seek to help explore the principles and apply them in our lives.

Each “menu” will follow the same pattern: some passages of Scripture to reflect on, a few questions to consider, a text to internalise, and a theme to pray about. We encourage you to listen to the sermon (either “live” or through the GBC Sermon Podcast) as a helpful foundation for the menu. We will also include the chapter you could read from *Discipleship That Fits* if you are keen to do so.

Discipleship That Fits – read chs. 1-3 (introductory) and chapter 12, “God Speaks to You Alone: Understanding the Divine Context”

1. PASSAGES TO MEDITATE ON

As you read these passages reflect on what each of them has to say about our identity (who we are) and destiny (why we are here).

- John 15:1-8
- Romans 8:31-39
- 1 Corinthians 1:26-31
- Ephesians 2:1-10
- 1 Peter 2:4-10

2. JOURNALING QUESTIONS

How would you describe your understanding of your identity (who you are in Christ) and destiny (why you are here)?

What choices do you consciously make to be faithful to this identity and destiny?

3. PRAYER THEME

Your identity as a daughter or son of God.

4. A TEXT TO INTERNALISE

John 1:12