

MENTOR



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Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...

Romans 12:2 NIV

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BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH
GROWTH PROCESS

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You may have been hesitant to pick up this booklet.

The idea of mentoring someone can strike fear into the most confident heart. We tend to think that mentors need to know all the answers and have their lives completely straightened out. After all, wasn't Jesus the model mentor? You won't find any flaws there. And if that's the standard, well, we don't blame you for feeling like you don't measure up. None of us would.

But can I give you some good news?

You don't need to be perfect to be a perfect mentor.

You just need to be willing to relationally invest in someone else to help them become a more deeply devoted Jesus-follower.

Why mentoring is important

"More and Better Jesus-Followers" is more than a catchy phrase, it summarizes what Jesus has commanded the Church to do. But this mission isn't just for a select group of individuals in the Church—every Jesus-follower is called to the task of helping others to grow in their walk with God. God has equipped you with the gifts and relationships that make you uniquely suited for this task. This mission matters, and you are a vital part of it.

At Berean, one of the simplest ways that you can engage in this mission is by taking someone else through a step of the growth process.

The best mentors have 3 characteristics. They're:

FAITHFUL Are you dependable? Are you able to keep a commitment?

AVAILABLE Do you have the margin to make an intentional spiritual investment in someone else for an agreed-upon period of time?

TEACHABLE Are you willing to admit that you don't have all the answers? Are you willing to explore them?

If your answer to those questions is YES, you're the stuff that excellent mentors are made of.

We expect mentors to do 3 things:

SHOW UP. Honor your commitment to your friend by showing up on time and ready to fully engage with them.

BE PREPARED. Spend time each week getting to know the material so that you can guide your friend through the lesson effectively.

HAVE FUN. Mentoring is fundamentally relational. Don't spend all of your time guiding your friend through the lesson. Take time to have fun, get to know each other, and make it enjoyable.

Next Steps...

If you're ready to help someone take their next steps as a follower of Jesus...

- » Grab a copy of [The Simplicity of Disciple-Making](#) and sign it out at the Welcome Center. This short but powerful booklet will equip you to mentor with skill and confidence!
- » Identify someone you'd like to mentor. If you're not sure where to start, we can help you find someone.
- » Email Gwyn Richards at bereanbiblesecretary@yahoo.com to let her know you're ready to mentor.

Church Membership

You are an important part of Berean. Once you've completed the growth process and led someone else through a step of the growth process as a mentor, we'd like you to consider making membership at Berean your next step. Membership is simply a formal commitment to the members, leaders, and mission of Berean. The process of becoming a member at Berean has 2 steps:

- » Complete the Growth Process (101-401).
- » Complete a membership interview with one of the Elders.

If you are interested in being interviewed for membership, contact Gwyn@bbctransform.org to schedule an interview.