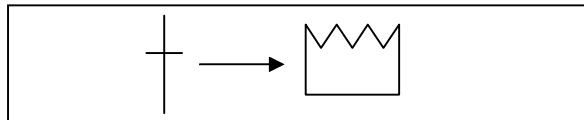


Appendix C: Example of Universal Disciple for Non-Literates

I. The Cornerstone and Foundation of God's house: Jesus, the crucified Messiah, is Lord

- A. Precept: Jesus is fashioning his people into saints worthy of the resurrection of the righteous and of inclusion in his kingdom. When you repented and confessed Jesus as Lord, you became a child of God. Therefore, you are now a new creature, called to be holy as God is holy, set apart from the wicked ways of the world as God's own possession. Before Jesus received his reward of resurrection, he died on a cross in full obedience to the Father for the forgiveness of our sins. The example of the crucified Messiah is now the foundation upon which everything in our life is built.

B. Sketch:



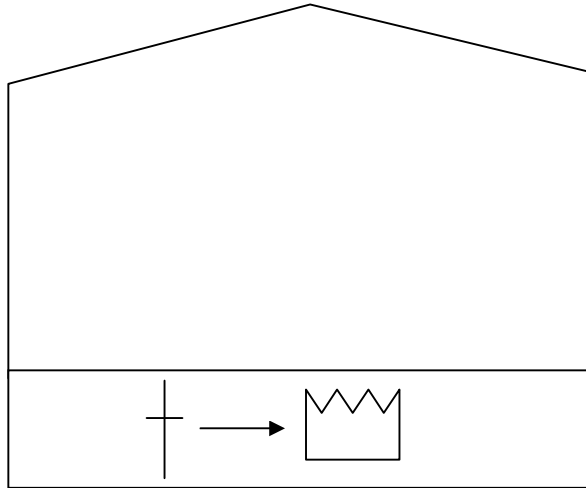
- C. Reinforcement of new identity: have the disciple repeat his or her new identity to you until he or she does not need your help:
- Q: "What are you?"
 - A: "A child of God, a new creature, called to be holy as God is holy."
- D. Behavioral response: This is how we build our lives on this foundation daily (the following to be accompanied by hand gestures to increase memorability)
- Abiding in God's Word every day (gesture: put your hand to your ear to communicate engaging God's Word through listening—oral culture)
 - Offering up sacrifices of prayer and praise (gesture: raise hands in the air)
 - Fellowshipping with God's people (gesture: a hand clasp)
 - Sharing the good news boldly with others (gesture: a movement of the hand from the mouth, symbolizing words going from the mouth)
 - Looking to Jesus as your example of perseverance in the face of suffering (gesture: lift up the arms in the form of a cross)

II. God's temple/house

- A. Precept: When you submitted your life to Jesus, God put his Spirit into you as a deposit, guaranteeing your resurrection if you hold firmly to the faith until Jesus' return. You are now a part of God's house, his temple. Together with all of the saints,

you are being built into a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit. Jesus is Lord over this house.

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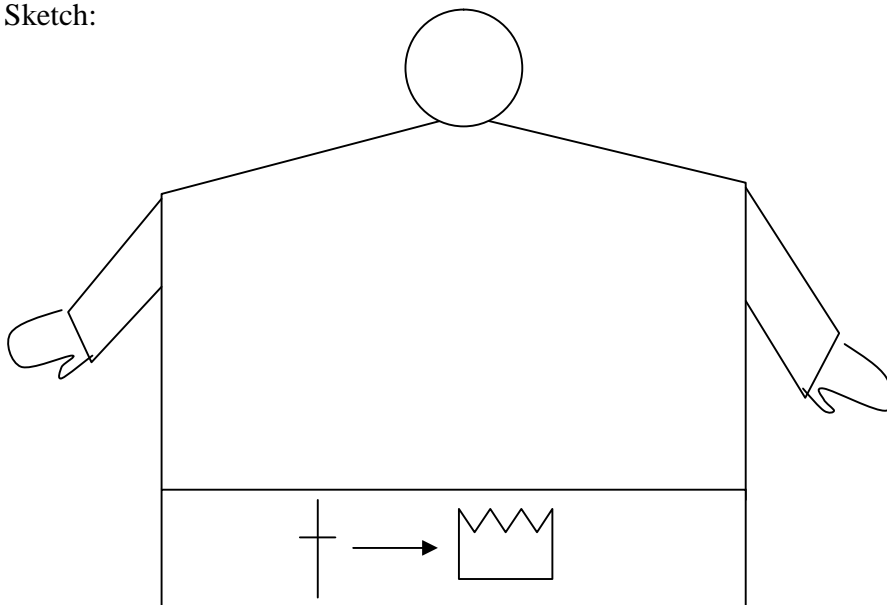


- C. Reinforcement of corporate identity: have the disciple repeat his or her new identity to you until he or she does not need your help:
- Q: "What are you part of?"
 - A: "God's house, in which his Spirit dwells."

III. The Body of Messiah

- A. Precept: Moreover, you are also part of the Body of Messiah, the head of which is Jesus the Messiah. Jesus has full governmental authority over his Body. Just as the members of our body obey our heads, so you are now to wholeheartedly obey Jesus in everything.

B. Sketch:



- C. Reinforcement of corporate identity: have them repeat their new identity to you until they do not need your help:
 - a. Q: "What are you part of?"
 - b. A: "Messiah's Body, of which he is the head and authority."

IV. Three pillars: faith, love, and hope

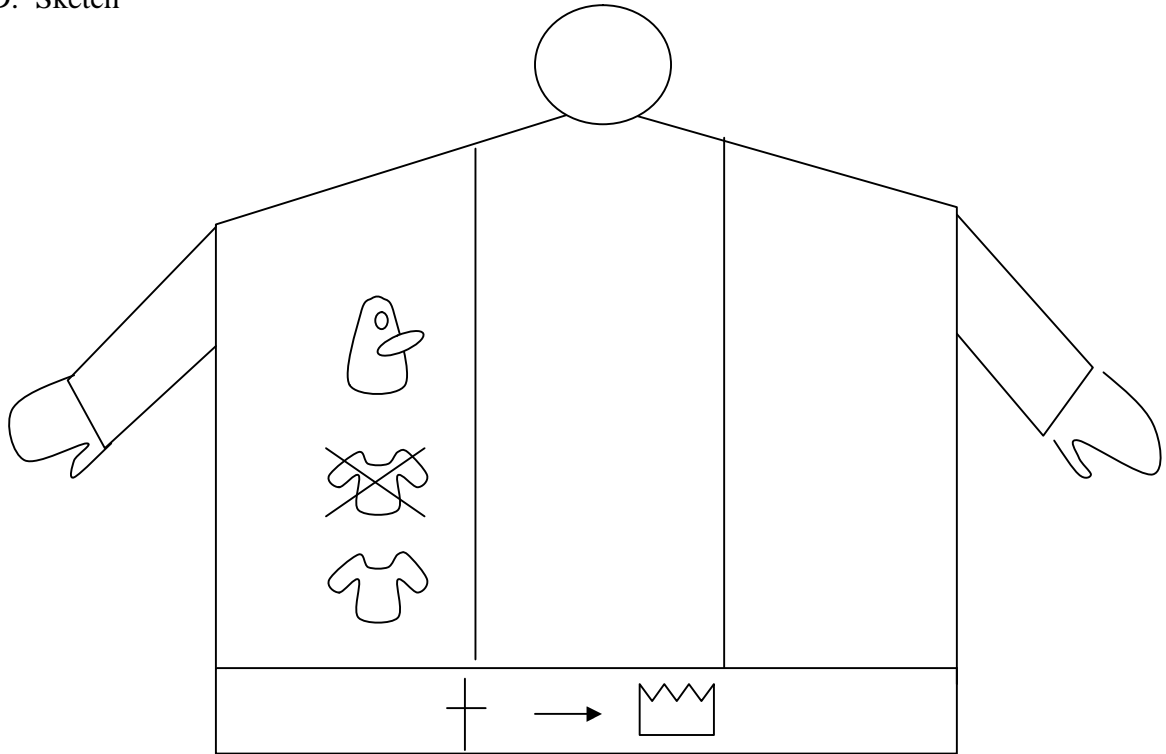
- A. This temple has three pillars that make it stand firm and strong to the end: faith, love, and hope
- B. Reinforcement of pillars: have the disciple repeat his or her new identity to you until he or she does not need your help:
 - a. Q: "How many pillars are there in this house?"
 - b. A: "Three: faith, love, and hope"

V. Faith

- A. Precept: Though you do not see Jesus now, by faith you believe that he is the Lord of the heavens and the earth, and the Judge who will come again to resurrect and reward the righteous, punish the wicked, and establish the kingdom of God. Through faith and trust in his atoning sacrifice, you have received the forgiveness of sins and a firstfruits deposit of the Holy Spirit. Through this deposit, God enables you to resist sin and persevere in righteousness until Jesus returns. This enabling power is called grace.
- B. Sketchable metaphor: The Spirit now lives in you. As a young child receives nourishment and strength by daily nursing at his mother's breast, so now all of you receive the power you need to live a new life. The Spirit's grace is like the milk by which one lives. Faith in Jesus is like the breast. And prayer is the means by which one regularly takes in the source of nourishment and power.
- C. Behavioral response: Therefore, through the power of this grace, every day you:
 - a. *Put off and mortify* your former nature: lust, pride, jealousy, meanness, selfishness, greed, anger, deceit, slander, gossip, and all other such things. These are not appropriate for a holy child of God.
 - b. *Put on and clothe yourselves* with your new nature: love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, faithfulness, kindness, self-control, mercy, humility, and all other such things. These are appropriate for a holy child of God.
 - c. *Persevere*: When you stumble in your pursuit of holiness, do not give up. God loves to show mercy to the repentant and contrite heart. Confess and repent of your sin, receive God's forgiveness, and keep fighting not in your own strength, but by the grace of the Spirit. God is faithful. Constantly ask the

Holy Spirit for help in prayer, and he will give you the grace you need to mature in righteousness over time.

D. Sketch



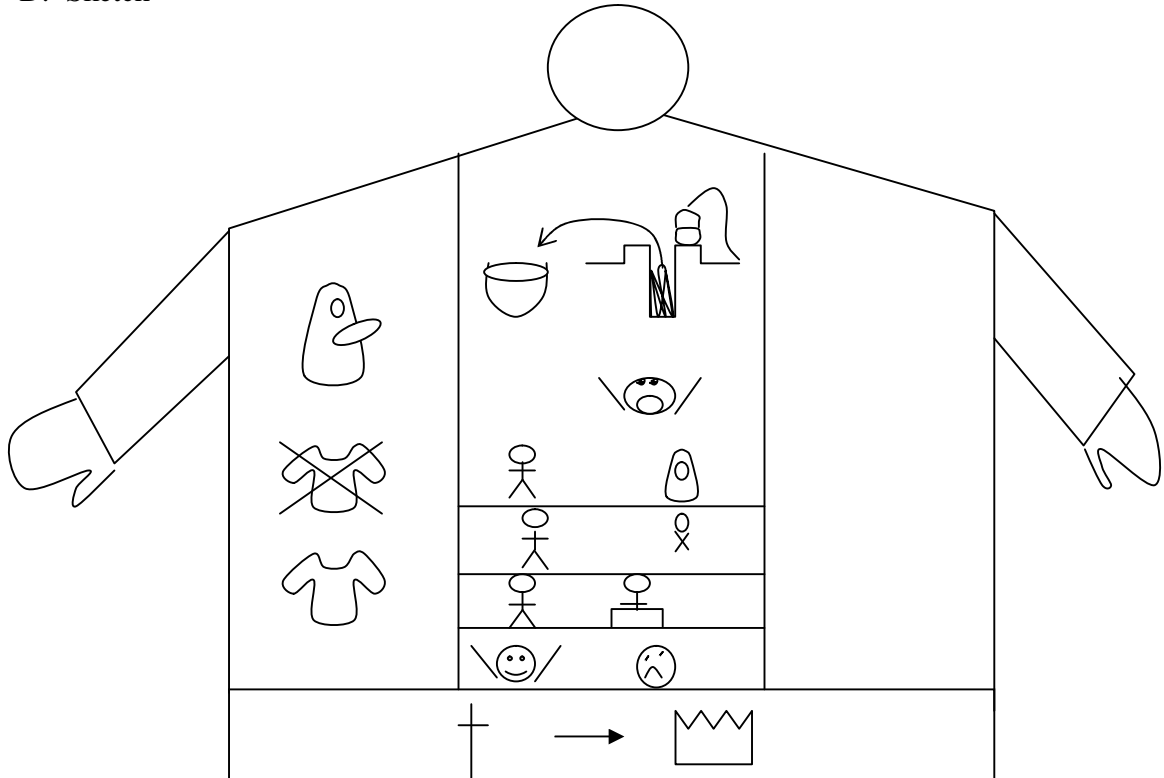
- E. Reinforcement of faith pillar: have the disciple repeat his or her new identity to you until he or she does not need your help:
- Q: "What will Jesus do when he returns?"
 - A: "Resurrect and reward the righteous, punish the wicked, and establish his kingdom."
 - Q: "What then do you need to do?"
 - A: "Live righteously. Every day, put off the old, and put on the new by God's grace."

VI. Love

- A. Precept: When Jesus put the deposit of the Spirit into you, he poured out his love into your heart. The fruit of the Spirit is love. The Spirit empowers you to love God and others as Jesus loves God and others. Jesus is a priest who loves and obeys his Father with all of his heart, mind, soul, and strength. He is also a servant-ruler, who continually and humbly lays down his life for the well-being of his people. He is also merciful and patient. When he died on the cross, he forgave and blessed his enemies and persecutors.

- B. Sketchable metaphor: When God gave you the Holy Spirit, he poured his love inside of you. Jesus is like a well. The love of the Holy Spirit is like water drawn from the well. And your heart is the container into which that water is poured.
- C. Behavioral response: Therefore, with this new power in your heart to love through the Holy Spirit, you are commanded to:
- a. Wholeheartedly obey the first commandment: “You shall love the Lord your God with all of your heart, mind, soul, and strength.” Do this through:
 - i. *Thanking*: continually offer thanks to God the Father for all he has done for you in Jesus
 - ii. *Singing*: continually sing Psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to the Lord
 - iii. *Teaching*: let the Word of God dwell in you richly as you admonish one another in love
 - iv. *Submitting*: continually submit to Jesus’ leadership in humility. Voluntarily submit to one another in love.
 - b. Love others self-sacrificially as Jesus loves you self-sacrificially:
 - i. *Husbands*, don’t treat your wives harshly, but love and humbly serve them as Messiah loves and serves his Body. *Wives*, love, serve, and humbly submit to your husbands, as the Body of Messiah joyfully serves and submits to its head, Jesus.
 - ii. *Fathers*, don’t provoke your children to anger, but serve them and raise them up in the discipline and counsel of the Lord. *Children*, humbly obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.
 - iii. *Employers (masters)*, serve your employees. Do not cheat them, but treat them fairly and give them what they deserve. *Employees (slaves)*, obey your employers, and do your work well and honestly. Everything you do, do it as to the Lord, not men.
 - iv. *Insiders (those within the Body)*, continue to serve and lay down your lives for one another. In regard to *outsiders (those outside the Body)*, pray for them. Walk in wisdom toward them and make the most of every opportunity. Let your speech be seasoned with salt, that you will know how to answer everyone. When they persecute and oppress you, forgive them, as Jesus has forgiven us.

D. Sketch



- E. Reinforcement of love pillar: have the disciple repeat his or her new identity to you until he or she does not need your help:
- Q: "What has God put into us by the Spirit?"
 - A: "The love of Messiah"
 - Q: "What then do you need to do?"
 - A: "Love God and others as Jesus does"

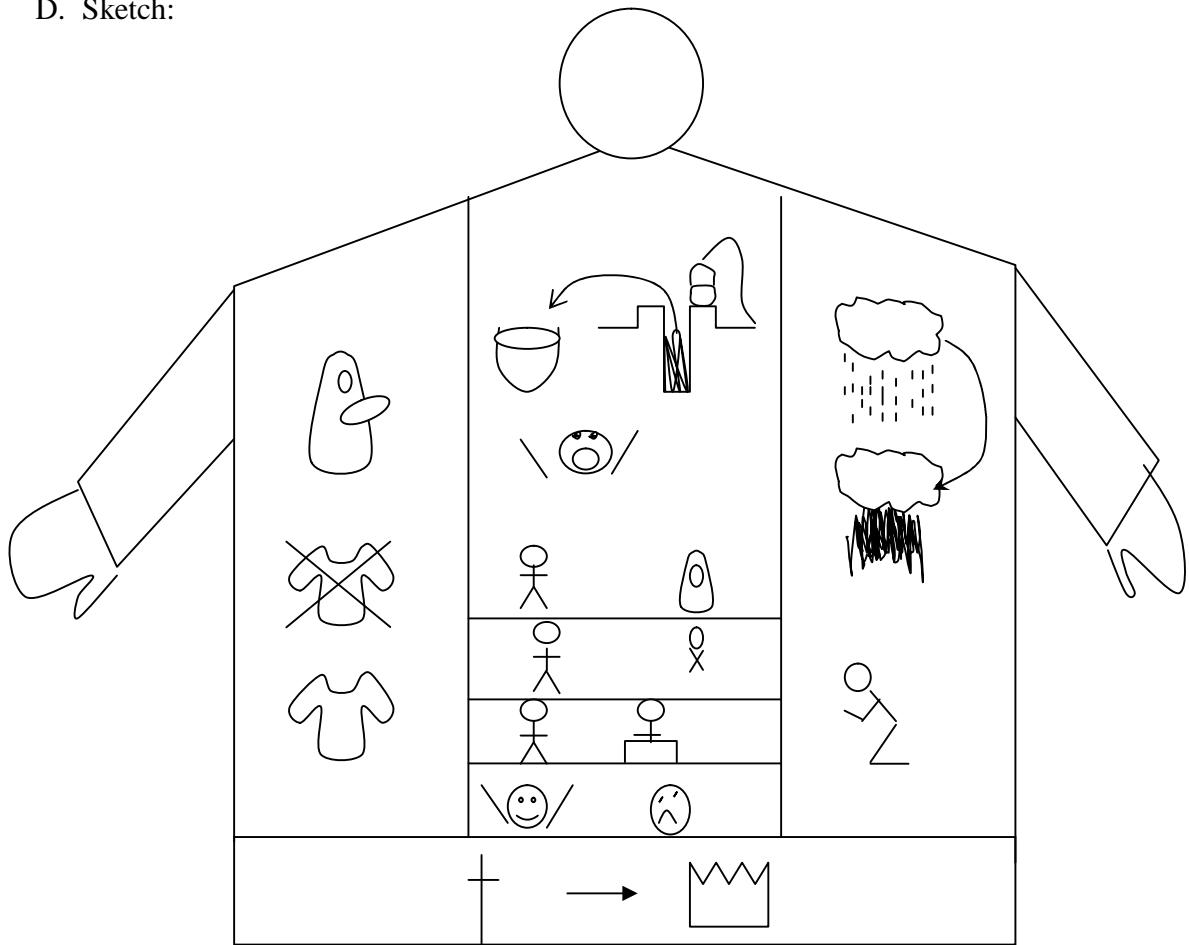
VII. Hope

- Precept: Your hope is in Jesus' return. He is coming soon. The hour is urgent. When Jesus returns, he will complete our redemption by giving us resurrected bodies. His Spirit in you is a deposit guaranteeing your bodily redemption at his return. When Jesus returns, he will deliver us from our persecutors and oppressors, both human and demonic. He will reward the saints. He will establish the kingdom of God and install the saints in positions of authority in his kingdom. He will purge wickedness from the earth and fill it with the glory of God. He will return after the completion of the Gentile harvest and the salvation of the Jewish people. Until that day, we are in a fierce battle against demonic powers trying to resist God's purposes. You do not wrestle against flesh and blood.
- Sketchable metaphor: God imparted the Holy Spirit to you as a deposit. That present deposit points to the future, when God will complete your redemption in the

resurrection and establish the kingdom of God. It is like small showers before a heavy rainstorm. The showers point to the heavy rains which are soon to come.

- C. Behavioral response: The hour is urgent. As you wait for your hope to be realized, you must fervently:
- a. *Pray, fast, and watch*: we must cry out to God night and day in prayer. We must pour out your heart to God in fervent intercession, asking for the lost, for the Gentile harvest, for Israel's salvation, and for the maturity and perseverance of the Bride as we face tests and difficulties.
 - b. *Proclaim*: we must proclaim the gospel boldly to all, summoning people to repentance and faith for the forgiveness of sins. We must boldly proclaim the gospel to both Jew and Gentile.
 - c. *Persevere, resist, and fight*: we must put on the armor of God and vigilantly resist the temptations of the devil through prayer. We must put on the belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the feet of readiness, the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit.
 - d. *Pardon*: We must bless, forgive, and pray for your human persecutors
 - e. *Provoke*: We must provoke Israel to jealousy for her Messiah through self-sacrifice on behalf of the undeserving, as Jesus sacrificed his life for us when we were undeserving. The Bride is God's chosen instrument for provoking Israel to jealousy at the end of the age.

D. Sketch:



- E. Reinforcement of love pillar: have the disciple repeat his or her new identity to you until he or she does not need your help:
- Q: "What will Jesus do when he returns?"
 - A: "Complete our redemption, deliver us from our enemies, reward the righteous, and establish the kingdom of God"
 - Q: "What then do you need to do until then?"
 - A: "Pray, proclaim, persevere, pardon, provoke"

VIII. Summary

- Precept: Jesus is going to return for a pure, spotless Bride. This is the desire of his heart. He is not coming back for a compromising prostitute, but for a pure virgin. This pattern is God's blueprint for transforming us into the image of Messiah, into a Bride made ready.
- Behavioral response: Wholeheartedly obey the pattern until Messiah's return.