

DISCIPLING

children and families

	PUBLIC	SOCIAL	PERSONAL	TRANSPARENT	PRIVATE
Definition	100+ people watching a few specialists Football match, theatre, cinema	20-70 people having fun informal gatherings Party, large family gatherings, hobbies, sports teams	4-12 people regularly sharing life together Extended family, classroom, colleagues, friendship group	2-4 people Close intimate friends Family, Marriages, households, close friends	1 - Me and God Spending time in prayer, bible reading, meditation
Jesus's example	Teaching the 5000, experience God together	Mostly Jesus disciplined people in extended households, sends out 72	The 12 disciples Jesus intentionally chose 12 people to invest in.	Jesus had 3 beloved friends that he walked intimately with	Jesus withdrew to spend time with his Father, listening and praying
Church	Almost all Sunday services	Missional Communities	Home group Sunday School	Accountability partners Prayer partners	Quiet times
Kids and youth	Ideally yes! definitely not all the time but do make space for all God's people to worship together	Yes!	Age Appropriate	In the home/family	In the home/family
What can I do?	Ask children and young people to help you plan and lead. Teach the church how to do this!	Allow kids/youth to bring life, lightness and authenticity to reflect God's kingdom!	Enable and value opportunities for parents, children, youth to be disciplined appropriately.	Equip parents to bring Christ into the home	Allow time for families, children, youth to share testimonies of how they do this.
Ideas	Vibrant worship, 7-10 min preaches, testimonies, celebrations, baptisms, eat together	Find the story tellers, kids join leadership, equip the 'party people', enjoy God & community equally!	Parenting courses, marriage courses or for kids: Little Worship Company, Raise up faith, Urban Saints	Pray at meals, bedtime. Read the bible and put yourself into God's story. Celebrate the festivals. Go on mission together.	Hear the voice of God - by praying, reading the bible and putting yourself into God's story. See your passions as worship