"JBC: 18th Anniversary – Growing into the Full Stature of Christ 以勒十八周年 – 长成基督丰盛的身量" (Ephesians 以弗所书 4:11-16)

In terms of Chronological Age, Jireh has entered into "Adulthood", but has Jireh reached "Adulthood" Spiritually?

从年代来看,以勒已经迈进 "成人"的阶段,但是以勒是否达到 "属灵的成人身量"?

Today: How a Church's Spiritual Stature is Measured, Evaluate where Jireh stacks up, in order to help Jireh grow to become Well-Balanced Church 今天: 如何衡量教会属灵的身量,评估以勒的身量、帮助以勒属灵平衡的成长

I. The Measure of a Church's Spiritual Stature 教会属灵身量的衡量 (Ephesians 以弗所书 4:11-16)

The Church's Spiritual Stature is primarily Measured by Inward Qualities 教会属灵身量的衡量主要在乎内在的素质

- A. Gifted People 蒙恩赐的人 (4:11-12)
 - 1. 4 (or 5) Kinds of Servants Called and Sent to Local Churches by God 四、五类蒙神召唤、幷被差遣到地方性教会服事的仆人

"Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, and Pastor-teachers 使徒, 先知, 传福音的, 作牧养和教导的"

2. Main Task of the Called Servants 蒙神召唤之仆人的主要任务

To Minister to the Church and to Disciple the Believers 服事教会和训练门徒 (2 Tim 提摩太後书 2:2)

- B. Elements in Discipleship 门徒训练的元素 (4:13-16)
 - 1. Build up Believers through God's Word to Attain "Unity in the Faith" 借着神的话建立信徒、达到 "一致的信仰"
 - 2. Build up Believers to Attain "Unity in the Knowledge of the Son of God" 建立信徒 "对神的儿子有一致的认识"

Emphasis on Discipling <u>All</u> Believers to Pursue Faith and Christ, not just Individual Pursuit 重点在于训练<u>所有的</u>信徒追求信仰和基督、不只是单人个体的追求

3. Connect Believers into One Functional Body 联合信徒成为一致功能的个体

As Believers Pursue the Faith and Pursue Christ, they Grows into Christ – the Head, they are Naturally Bonded with another in Love, thereby Edifying the Body 当信徒们都追求信仰和追求耶稣 – 教会的头,他们自然会在爱中彼此相连,以致造就教会

- II. How does Jireh Measure Up, and Grow in Spiritual Stature 评估以勒的身量、以及以勒属灵的成长
 - A. Jireh: Not Quite an Ephesians 4 Church 以勒: 尚未是一个 "以弗所书四章" 的教会
 - 1. Need Gifted people to Share the Load of a Multi-ethnic Ministry 需要有恩赐的人来分享多元种族事工的担子

- 2. High Mobility: Training Effective Disciples a Challenge 流动性高: 训练有效门徒的挑战
- 3. Commitment to Receive Discipleship Training... Is it a Priority? 是否愿意献上、以接受门徒训练为首要之事?

"Making Disciples" is the Commission from Jesus Christ: Without it, we cannot Build up the Church and Enlarge God's Kingdom "训练门徒" 是耶稣基督的吩咐: 若不作 "门训", 我们不能建立教会和扩张神的国度

B. Goal and Guideline for Making Disciples from 2015 and Beyond 在 2015 年和未来建立门徒的目标和方针

Encourage all to Commit to Discipleship and Grow into God's Blueprint for the Church 鼓励全体献身作门徒训练、幷且按神对教会设定的蓝图成长

1. To Attain "Unity in the Faith" 达到 "一致信仰"

Survey of the Bible, Jirch Vision, Systematic Study of Key Doctrines, "T4T" and Evangelism Training – Apologetics

圣经综览,以勒异象,系统研讨圣经教训,"T4T"和传福音训练 - 维护真道

2. Enrich Personal, Intimate Walk with God 充实个人化、与神亲密的同行

Spiritual Disciplines, Personal/Corporate Prayer and Worship, "Experiencing God" Study 属灵操练, 个人/团体祷告和敬拜,"经历神" 系列研讨

3. Enhance Connection and Bonding with One Another 促进彼此联系和深入关系

"7 Habits" – Personal/Interpersonal Development, Conflict Resolution – Resolving Marital and Interpersonal Relationships "七个习惯" – 培养个人/人际关系,解决冲突 – 调解婚姻和人际问题

Conclusion: Discipleship is Not Optional 总结: 门徒训练不是可有可无的

Requirements of a Disciple: Faithful, Available and Teachable ("F. A. T.") 作门徒的条件: 忠心、随召随到、以及愿意受教 ("F. A. T.")

- Be Faithful to God's Agenda 忠于神的计划
- Adjust one's Priority 调整自己的首要次序
- Be Humble to Receive Teaching 谦卑受教

A Believer will be Disqualified by God if he does not pass the F. A. T. test, or is Unwilling to take the test

若信徒不能、或不愿意通过 "F.A.T." 的考验, 在神的眼里, 他就不合格了

Revive your Passion and Join in the Pursuit of Discipleship; be Equipped to be the Torch-bearer, and Pass the Legacy of Jireh to Future Generations...

唤醒热诚来参与门徒训练; 受装备做一个背负火炬、传递以勒传承到以后接棒新一代的人…

Make a Positive Response to God's Word at the Beginning of the New Year! 在新的一年开始, 正面回应神的话语!