

**“Know We Are One Generation  
Away!”**

Mentoring the Next Generation

## Some Disturbing Facts

1. Generally speaking, small churches have not been proactive in calling and effectively engaging young people for long term discipleship.

2. The result is a leadership vacuum in our churches.
3. Consider the Barna Group research.

# A Call for a Biblical Response

- How do we effectively engage the next generation?
- Will it take a “new” program?
- What does the Bible teach on this matter?

# The Biblical Data

1. Abraham: Gen. 12:1-3
2. Moses: Deut. 1-6; Jethro Deut. 1:9-18
3. Joshua: Josh. 1:5-6
4. Jesus: The gospels; Matt. 28:19-20
5. Paul: Investing time in discipleship

# Qualities of a Mentor Part 1

1. One who is progressing in his or her walk with Christ
2. One who is transparent and authentic
3. One who is a good listener
4. One who is available

# Qualities of a Good Mentor Part 2

## 1. Learn about your Mentee

- a) His/her background
- b) Likes and dislikes
- c) How he/she learns best
- d) Their dreams

# Some Common Characteristics of a Millennial

1. They want to be and are will to commit to being part of a larger story
2. Help Millennials set realistic mutual goals
3. Reevaluate process every 3-6 months



## Final Thought

**Remember Paul's admonition to the young pastor, Timothy. 2 Tim. 2:1-3**

**Know that we are only one generation away!**