

**"Winning The World
Through Discipleship"
February 26, 2023**

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C. Why should we be concerned about discipleship?

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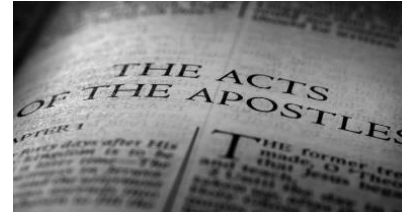
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