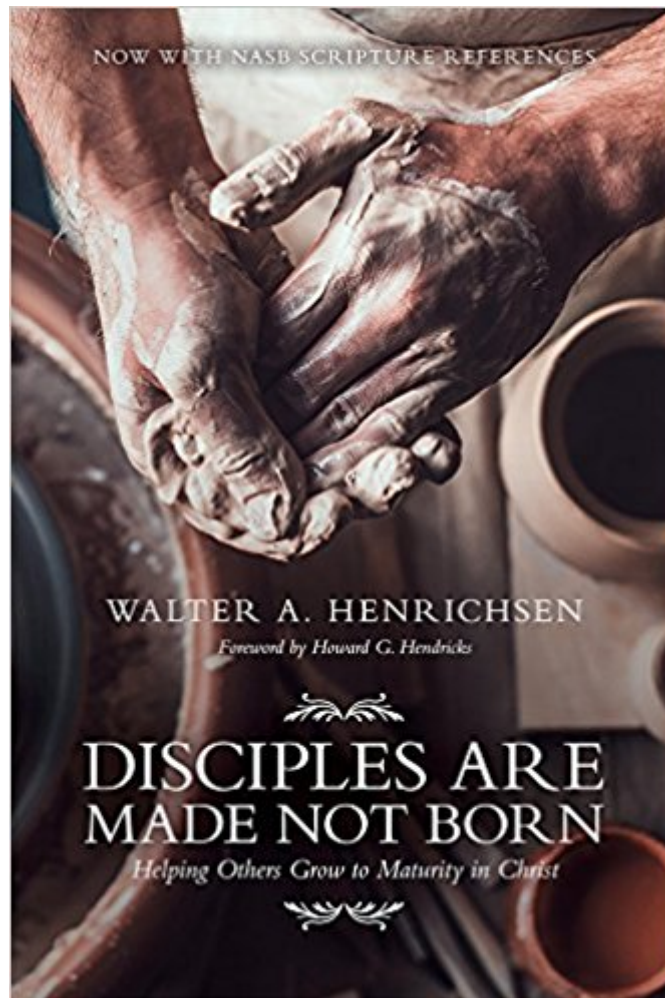




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Disciples Are Made Not Born: Helping Others Grow To Maturity In Christ



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"Make Disciples." Jesus' command is clear. But what is a disciple? And how are we to "make" them? Based on decades of experience, this book explains and illustrates the process of disciple-making that Jesus taught and modeled. First published in 1974, its practical, biblical approach has revolutionized the ministry of hundreds of thousands of Christians as they learned how to multiply themselves in the lives of others. Disciple-making is challenging, to be sure. But as we are faithful to Christ's Great Commission, we'll experience the fulfillment that comes from being faithful to the life mission to which God has called us.

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Customer Reviews

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I bought this because I have admired Howard Hendricks and he wrote and endorsed this book. I also bought this because it has still done pretty well and remained fairly popular throughout the years so I wanted to check out what it had to say. Overall it is very Biblical and lays out a solid program for discipleship and has reasons why the author wrote what he did. A main source of discouragement for me was the use of the King James Bible. Way to many "Thees, ye, to and fro"

and the like. Not helpful for people who don't speak that way, especially for people who we want to share the Bible with. There is some other dated material, hopefully if this keeps in print they will revise and update this to include modern language.

In the earlier chapters of this book, the author makes the comparison of hunting for deer using either a shotgun to hit all of them, but not kill any, or using a rifle to bring down one or two. It's an ironic analogy, because this book is the author using a shotgun on the issue of discipleship when we'd all be better off with the focused aim of a rifle. You won't find anything that's incredibly in depth in this book. In fact, the author seems to have so much that he wants to say that he doesn't say any of it very well. He bounces from one point to another without ever setting down roots for long enough to actually make a difference. In many parts of the book, he will cite a passage of scripture, give a one or two sentence response, then spend the next 2 or 3 paragraphs telling a story. This pattern is repeated through the book. I'm left with the conclusion that the author knows a lot of verses, and he has a lot of stories he wants to tell, but doesn't know how to encourage us towards deep understanding or application. If you've never heard of the topic of discipleship before, this book may be helpful to you. However, if you've been a Christian for some time and have a basic understanding of Christianity and discipleship, you probably won't get much from this book.

Fair Warning; don't buy until you are ready to transform your life

Excellence!

Good basic Discipleship thinking.

Excellent framework for discipline people. Well written and definately challenged my thinking.

It's a must read to better understand discipleship process. Concise but complete manual and guide for discipleship.

I didn't know what to expect when I bought this book because I had never read anything by this author nor was I very familiar with the Navigators ministry. Needless to say, I was very impressed by the practicality of the book as well as the "down-to-earth" language in which the discipleship principles were taught. Being currently in ministry, I found this book to be just what I needed, right

when I needed it. You can't go wrong with this book...one of the best of its kind!

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