A person with long dark hair, seen from behind, wearing a dark jacket and a tan backpack, stands in a vast, open landscape. In the background, there are rugged, snow-capped mountains under a cloudy sky. A large, semi-transparent green circle is in the top left corner. A dashed orange line curves across the image. A grid of small white dots is visible on the left side.

A JOURNEY OF GRACE

NAZARENE  DISCIPLESHIP

*I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father
except through me.*

JOHN 14:6





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**NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP IS A JOURNEY FROM
GRACE TO GRACE TO GRACE.**

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship is a journey of grace with Jesus as our guide and companion.

Christian discipleship helps believers grow in the Lord Jesus Christ as they are equipped by His Holy Spirit, who resides within them, to overcome the pressures and trials of this present life and become more and more Christlike.



GRACE

Grace is the active love of God in our lives and in the world.

Our minds cannot fully comprehend the mystery of God’s grace. However, at various times in our life, God’s grace leads us to Him through **prevenient grace**, frees us to understand the truth through **saving grace**, and empowers us to become Christlike through **sanctifying grace**.

A JOURNEY OF GRACE

BELIEFS





God PREPARES the path before us. His hand reaches out and beckons us to Him, drawing us into a deeper relationship with Him. This grace both precedes our response and enables our response.



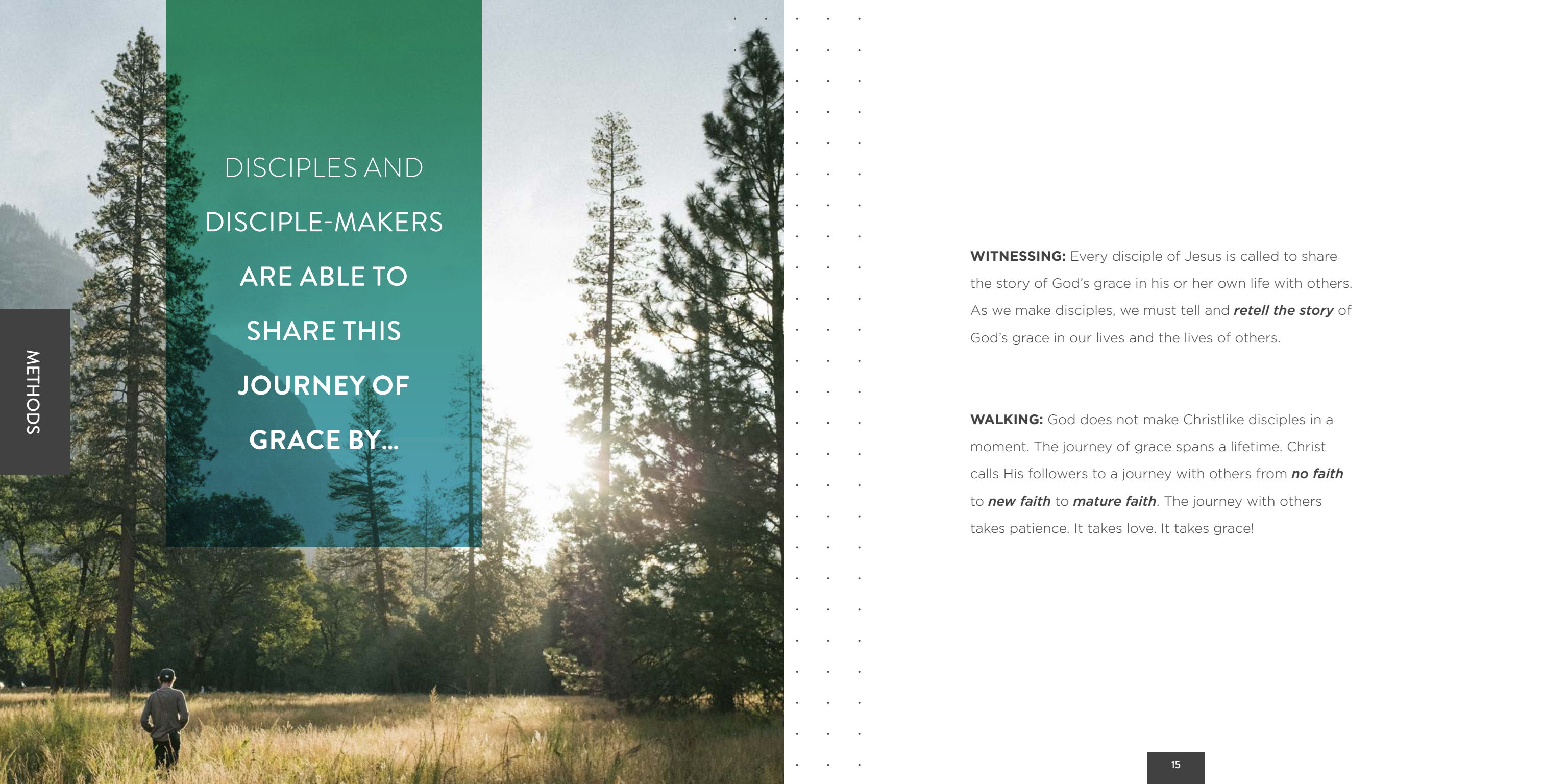
Jesus RESCUES us from sin and leads us into the truth that sets us free. We receive the gift of saving grace by believing in God. He redeems us, makes us a new creation, and adopts us into His family.



The Holy Spirit EMPOWERS us to live a life fully consecrated to God. Sanctifying grace begins the moment we experience salvation. Initial sanctification is followed by spiritual growth in grace until, in a moment of full consecration and complete surrender on our part, God purifies and cleanses the heart.

We are drawn by holy love through prevenient grace. We are captured by holy love through saving grace. We are purified and set apart by holy love through sanctifying grace. We grow in grace as we abound in holy love. This is how we experience the fullness of life in Christ.





DISCIPLES AND
DISCIPLE-MAKERS

ARE ABLE TO

SHARE THIS

JOURNEY OF

GRACE BY...

WITNESSING: Every disciple of Jesus is called to share the story of God's grace in his or her own life with others. As we make disciples, we must tell and *retell the story* of God's grace in our lives and the lives of others.

WALKING: God does not make Christlike disciples in a moment. The journey of grace spans a lifetime. Christ calls His followers to a journey with others from *no faith* to *new faith* to *mature faith*. The journey with others takes patience. It takes love. It takes grace!



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