

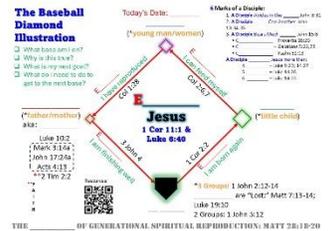
Baseball Diamond Resources to meet the greatest needs: tools & ideas to meet spiritual needs for each of the four bases (just to prime the pump):

1. The Lost; their NEED: to be Evangelized

- a. The Bible!
- b. The Bridge
- c. Memorize B Pack – TMS
- d. 3-min testimony from Acts 26
- e. Have someone share their testimony each week.
- f. Read through the Gospel of John together, slowly, and answer questions as the Spirit leads. Takes about 6-12 months depending on pace.
- g. Volunteer Taxi service to the barracks; share testimony in the car; take servicemen out for lunch and share the Gospel
- h. Host a workshop and have a leader share/train HOW to meet the greatest need of a different base (e.g. How to Share the Bridge Illustration); build in time for men to practice
- i. With permission, host a prayer walk around the barracks.
- j. Bring in an Evangelism Explosion trainer: <https://evangelismexplosion.org/>
- k. Train servicemen to be greeters at your weekly fellowship who are intentional and who follow up visitors with phone numbers
- l. For kids: Start a boys **Trail Life Troop** <https://www.trailifeusa.com/start-a-troop/> or **American Heritage Girls Troop** <https://americanheritagegirls.org/connect-with-a-troop-development-coach/>
- m. For Kids: Volunteer at AWANA's
- n. For Kids: Help your church to sponsor the local Christian school – begin to influence the leadership of that school for Christ
- o. For Youth: Youth Group: have servicemen visit and share their testimonies once a month

2. Convert; their NEED: to be Established

- a. The Bible!
- b. Teaching a New Members Class at the chapel or local church; identify all new members & visitors and personally invite them – cover basics of the Christian Life (not just constitution, etc.); use this opportunity to network them into weekly fellowships.
- c. Follow up everyone who gets baptized (men following up men, women following up women)
- d. Teach how to use the Wheel Illustration at a breakfast, retreat, etc.
- e. Memorize A Pack – TMS
- f. Memorize the whole TMS together. Discuss each verse together and answers questions which come up. Take 9-12 months.
- g. Sponsor annual workshops & retreats on the following topics/issues: dating & courting; marriage (e.g. <https://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember/>); Parenting & Discipline; Workplace-Career; How to (study the Bible, have a QT, Pray, Give, Sexual Purity, Accountability, etc.)



- h. Make it the GOAL for every single Disciple and Disciple-Maker in Navs to meet M2M/W2M weekly with at least **one Timothy** and take that person through something like **Growing in Christ**; begin memorizing Scripture together; and **establish** them in the Word
- i. Youth: Youth Group: Bring in a missionary to share once a month (Missions Night); send kids on summer missions trips; train kids to serve as counselors at summer Bible Camps
- j. Train up a younger believer to replace YOU and the ministry God has called you to

3. Disciple; their NEED: to be Equipped

- a. The Bible!
- b. Make it the GOAL for every single “disciple-maker” to meet M2M/W2M weekly with at least **one Timothy** and take them through something like **DFDs; 4-Chair Discipling**, and equip them to reproduce Christ in others
- c. Meet weekly with another growing couple (or lead a couples study) and take them through **You & Me Forever**
- d. Take servicemen to disciple-making conferences to cast the vision (Navs, Oaks, Son Life, etc.)
- e. Read through Acts (focusing on ch’s 13-28) together and a few select Pauline epistles together. Exploring together another million questions. Takes another 9-12 months

4. Disciple-Maker; their NEED: to be Encouraged

- a. The Bible!
- b. Help your local Nav team, missionaries and local pastors/chaplains promote outreach opportunities (by signing up, bringing folks, talking it up, etc.)
- c. Host a fun, special annual appreciation dinner for your Nav Team members, elders, deacons, pastors, chaplains and their wives – bring in a speaker to encourage them to finish well
- d. Sponsor a semi-annual card-writing event for your missionaries and other deployed laborers who have gone out from your ministry, and make/send care packages to them
- e. Do service projects for your spiritual leaders, etc.
- f. Host a missionary when they return on furlough
- g. Keep doing service projects for other ministries (e.g. Oaks, OCF, local pregnancy care clinic, youth ministry, etc.)
- h. Pray for those who lead you and let them know you are praying for them
- i. Financially support those who labor among you
- j. Read handout: “Sustainability and Healthy Rhythms,” by Jim Lee
- k. Travel together to visit other local fellowships – strengthen and encourage those laborers, together, at different locations, in the USA and internationally.