## How to Train Missional Community Leaders by: Matt Carter

We've changed how we're training and discipling our leaders. We've taught them, and we're teaching them, to be self-feeders versus consumers only. We're teaching them how to be self-feeders versus consumers because today in most churches, if you're a typical American Christian, it's pretty cool and it's totally okay for you to just come to a Bible study and just sit there and learn by consuming.

You can go on for years like that, *but* if you're going to be, say, a missionary in the Sudan, you better have made a transition in your life from just being a person sitting there and consuming someone else's teaching. You better be able to get into the Word of God and let the Word of God speak to you through the Holy Spirit and make that transition into your life from a person who is just hearing somebody else preach to a person who is a self-feeder and putting that stuff into action. So long story short, what we're doing is we're training our people like missionaries.