TRANSITIONING INTO THE WORK WORLD

I SEASONS OF LIFE:

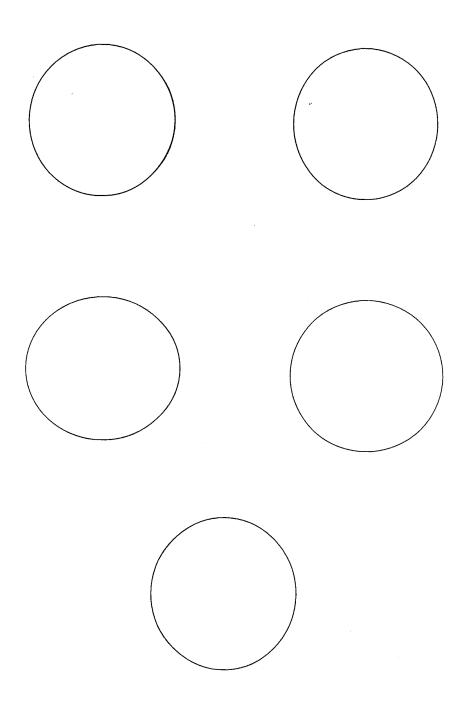
- A. SPRING Preparation; training; tutoring; life's boot camp; school; apprenticeship; establishing patterns and habits that will set the direction of your life.
- B. SUMMER Major interests chosen; further development; cultivation.
- C. AUTUMN Secure our holdings; harvest; life beginning to close in; preserve fruits of what has been accomplished.
- D. WINTER Stage of realizing the fruits of a life already lived; much enjoyment in helping others succeed.

II COMMUNITY VS. UNIVERSITY/MILITARY

- A. Slower but deeper.
- B. Compare three/four year college track with community.
 - 1. Family, work, neighbors, world!
- C. Paul's example.
 - 1. Be patient.
 - a. Ephesus Acts 20:31 (three years).
 - b. Corinth Acts 18:11 (year and one-half).
 - 2. Work/job/profession adds credibility to ministry.
 - a. How you do your job matters.
 - b. Platform for ministry.

- E. Take the principles you have learned and seek to apply them in your new context:
 - 1. Word study, scripture memory.
 - 2. Quiet Time
 - 3. Evangelism, i.e., dorm ministry to church visitation.
 - 4. M2M individual personal attention.
- F. Look for people who are getting the job done and come along side them.
 - 1. People being saved? (1 Timothy 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9).
 - 2. Lives being changed? (Romans 8:29)

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Notes from Discussion with Max Barnett regarding Transitioning Issues for Young People Today

Look for possibility of further training and a ministry you can tie into. Don't just go for job first, i.e., send out bunch of resumes. Look for solid fellowship and accountability then seek a job in that environment. Sometimes, the job may be a "calling" and accountability can be accomplished over the phone.

The most important priority is their walk with God.

Two places to minister (Acts 17:17):

The "Synagogue" Marketplace

Look for opportunities to have a ministry.

Stress Principles.

Young people today are more "relational". Like never before are more interested in older men. Most young men have not lived long enough to see the consequences for their choices. There is more respect today for older men. Many of today's generation were robbed of parents and grand parents.

The "Core" remains the same:

Trust the Lord.

The Christian life is the best life there is!

Young people today love to get together more than be alone, i.e., videos, eating together, etc. Music is a "big deal".

Whatever ministry they tie into should give them "ownership".

Since so much emphasis during their upbringing was based upon how things "feel", discipline is harder for them than in previous generations.