

Teamwork

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I. Introduction. In order to love others we must accept ourselves for who we really are. (Romans 15)

II. Definition.

- A. A team is a band of men who are divided to accomplish a common objective.
- B. The important element is the objective. (Philippians 1:27)
- C. The objective is to get out the gospel.

III. Advantages of a team. A team...

- A. Is a context for training. (Matthew 3:14)
- B. Allows for multiplication. (Leviticus 26:8-9, I Samuel 14, Ecclesiastes 4:9)
- C. Is an atmosphere to keep up the basics.
- D. Keeps us from sin. (Hebrews 3:13)
- E. Gives mutual guidance. (Proverbs 24:6)

IV. How a team is formed.

- A. The basic ingredient is a man of God. (I Samuel 22:1-2, II Kings 2)
- B. There is total availability towards one another.
- C. Levels of fellowship. (Philippians 2:25)
 - 1. Brother.
 - 2. Companion in labor.
 - 3. Fellow soldier. (Luke 22:28)
- D. We are to seek a total sharing of life.

V. Basic pre-requisites of being a team-member.

- A. A person must love Christ more than he loves anyone else. (John 21)

B. The Christian must count the cost. (Luke 9:14-16; Matthew 10)

C. One must have humility.

D. Without the right heart attitude, there is no team.

1. We must meet the needs of others. (Luke 16:12, II Corinthians 8)

2. We must have faith.

3. There must be a mutual drawing together.

Application questions:

1. What does a healthy team look like?

2. Why is having an objective so important? What is your team's objective?

3. Why is it important to understand how a team develops? How can a person short-circuit this process?
