No Christian Left Behind-Navigator Fall Conference 2006

No Christian Left Behind

(Why and how to personally help any Christian in their spiritual growth)

Objectives

- To communicate the critical need and the value in helping every believer grow in the Christian life.
- To discuss principles for effective follow up.
- To motivate and challenge you to be involved in the follow up of young believers.
- To give you some ideas and tools to how to get started and how to keep going in the care of new believers.

 Follow-up (def.) 1. to follow closely and ______

 2. to carry out fully

 3. to add to the ______ of by doing something more

Follow-through (def) 1. to continue and complete an action

Follower (def.) a general term for one who follows or believes in the teachings of someone

<u>Disciple</u> (def) one whose following implies a personal, devoted relationship to the teacher or leader

NT definition of Disciple NT description of a disciple John 8:31 John 13:34-35 John 15:8 Obeys the Great Commission

We are called to make disciples.

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Worth of Every Individual

God is personally interested in every individual.

Needs of Children



Think of our own parenting. 'Spiritual pediatrics'

1 Thessalonians - A Model

1 Thessalonians-insights into follow up

Reference	Attitude	Action	Motivation	Goal
1:2	Thankfulness			
1:2-3		Prayed constantly		
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Keep in mind that people take time

Prerequisite for follow up

- A heart for the individual Check my own motive
- A plan Check my preparedness Step-by-step
- A willingness to model Check my own consistency

Attitude is Key

- Compassion/heart
- Gentleness
- Initiative
- Patience
- Mature enough to be responsible
- Willingness to share life and model Do not ask anyone to do something you have not done or doing

Things to Teach/Model

- Word
- Prayer
- Fellowship
- Witnessing
- Lordship/obedience

"We learn more by five minutes' obedience than by ten years' study." Oswald Chambers (1874-1917)

Be prepared to help in other areas of need, e.g., marriage, finances, ...

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Basic Resources for Follow Up

Every Day

Every Meeting

Between Each Meeting

Call them at least once to:

Are You Ready???

Questions????? Call me: 720-2920 Email: <u>richkatsmith@sbcglobal.net</u>

Material Resources

'Wheel' and 'Hand' Illustrations Beginning with Christ Lessons on Assurance Growing in Christ Studies in Christian Living www.navpress.com Thirty Discipleship Exercises www.grason.org Seven Minutes with God, Robert D. Foster www.gbgm-umc.org/asburyumc/7minutes.htm

My Heart Christ's Home, Robert Boyd Munger, InterVarsity Press

A Heart for Individuals, Lorne Sanny, Discipleship Journal, Issue 15, 1983. www.discipleshipjournal.com Campus Crusade materials

www.campuscrusade.com