

Essential Activity to Your Ministry

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I. Introduction. There are four things we want to do to help a young Christian.

II. Doctrine.

A. Doctrine is truth.

B. This is what a person believes in all the basic areas of life.

C. An original investigation of the Bible is the basis of personal conviction. (Proverbs 2:1-5)

D. We need to be strong in the first principles of the Bible. (Hebrews 5)

E. Men we train should know our doctrine. (II Timothy 3:10)

III. Fellowship.

A. Our fellowship is in Jesus Christ. (I John 1)

B. Levels of fellowship with others.

1. In the gospel. (Philippians 1:5)

2. In the person of the Spirit. (Philippians 2:1)

3. In Jesus' sufferings. (Philippian 3:10, Luke 22:28)

C. We need an advocate. (I John 2:1)

IV. Breaking the bread.

A. This is in addition to the sacrament of communion.

B. This can refer to sharing possessions. (Acts 2:42)

C. This can refer to hospitality. (Romans 12; I Corinthians 16:15)

V. Prayer.

A. Agree together in prayer. (Matthew 18:19)

B. This is sharing one's relationship with God.

VI. Conclusion. We want to finish the work God gave us to do. (John 17:4)

Application questions:

1. How can you teach a young Christian doctrine?

2. How can we strive for deeper fellowship with believers? Explain.

3. Why is prayer a critical component of training young Christians?
