

Five Trends in the Navigators

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: II Corinthians 7.

B. Trends in the Navigators.

1. Stabilization.

a. The goal is to slow down

b. Things look big and exciting because multiplication works.

2. Making a stronger emphasis on discipleship and disciple making—less of an emphasis on staff.

3. Developing power centers in city.

4. Continuing to develop the girls' ministry.

5. Developing the minority ministry.

II. God promises to receive us. God does not reject us in an age where everyone else does. (II Corinthians 6:17)

III. Because God receives us, we must be responsible in cleansing ourselves.

A. Often, we are guilty of shying away from holiness.

B. We ought not to shy away from it though.

IV. Paul told the believers how proud he was of the people and we ought to as well.

V. When we are discouraged, we ought to encourage other people.

VI. Obedience produces fatigue, conflict and fear, but there will be inner peace.

VII. Sometimes God's comfort is in the form of a man or a woman.

Application questions:

1. Why is God's reception a prerequisite to our personal holiness?

2. How can you better be a comfort towards others? Explain.

3. Who is a special comfort to you? What about this person brings you special comfort?
