

Personal Development

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I. Introduction.

A. We should be concerned with personal development.

II. Why personal development?

A. The ministry vision demands it.

B. The dynamics of life demand it.

III. What is personal development?

A. It is self-initiated.

B. We also need help from others. (Hebrews 3:13, 1 Timothy 4:7)

C. This involves development and maintenance.

IV. How do I do personal development?

A. Set objectives.

B. Motivation....

1. Is an unending process.

2. It is a two way street. Listening is just as important as communicating.

3. Motivators must get motivated.

4. Motivation always has a target.

a. Every Christian should have a hunger for a deeper relationship with God.
(Exodus 33:11)

b. Every Christian has a need for purpose in life.

V. Discipleship process.

A. Phases.

1. Evangelism.

2. Establishing a man with a priority on his relationship with God.

3. Making a man a disciple maker.

4. Missionary.

5. Preparation.

B. Priorities.

C. Responsibilities.

1. Oneself.

a. We need to maintain our relationship with God.

b. We need to maintain our relationships with our wives and children. (Isaiah 2:19-20, Ephesians 6:4, Hosea 2:19-20)

2. The ministry as a whole.

a. Keep leaders well informed. (Galatians 1:10)

b. The objective is to present everyone mature in Christ. (Colossians 1:28-29)

c. We need to evaluate the situation we are in to appropriately apply principles.

3. The man within the ministry.

a. The key to the ministry is helping a man walk with God.

b. The how of walking with God needs to be emphasized over the why.

4. The ministry of the man one is helping.

a. Training is on your terms.

b. The man you are training must understand why.

Application questions:

1. What is your plan for personal development?

2. How can your ministry be broken down into its main objectives.

3. What is a key area of growth you need to work on for personal development? Explain.
