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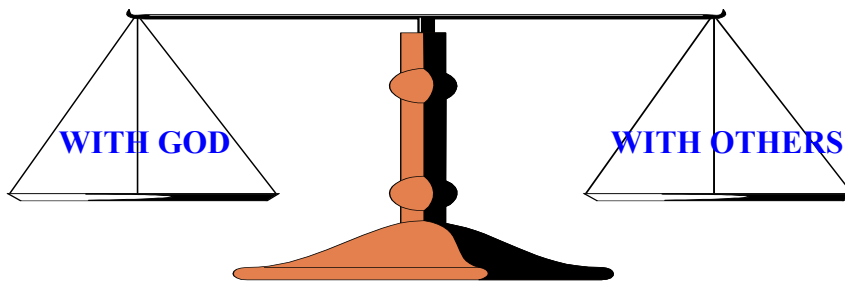
--- Basics ---

Session 4

A NEW LIFE IN BALANCE

Review II Corinthians 5:17. _____ Check after quoting it correctly from memory.

COMMUNICATING



Communication is essential in developing any meaningful relationship. As a Christian we have the Holy Spirit to empower us to live balanced lives.

In this session we will learn how to live a balanced life as we:

1. Worship God through praise and prayer.
2. Learn from God through Bible Study.
3. Fellowship and grow in God's family.
4. Share our new life with others.

1. WORSHIP GOD THROUGH PRAISE AND PRAYER

To worship God is to acknowledge God as more important than anybody or anything else in life because He alone is worthy.

PRAISE

God delights in the praise of His people

Read Psalm 33:1-3. What do these verses say about praise?

All of the universe declares the greatness of God. Why should you praise Him?

Ephesians 1:3 _____

PRAYER

What kinds of things should we ask God about?

Philippians 4:6 _____

Why is it important to give thanks? _____

God does not want us to be anxious about anything. What is His desire for us?

Philippians 4:7 _____

What is the purpose of prayer in John 16:24? _____

God loves you - you are His child. He wants you to come to Him about anything that concerns you.

Is there anything at this time for which we could pray together?

Let's pause and pray about our concerns. Let's begin by praising Him for who He is.

2. LEARN FROM GOD THROUGH BIBLE STUDY

Like any loving father, God wants us to learn from Him. His ways are so much greater than ours, making it difficult for us to understand His thoughts. It takes time and effort.

Read Romans 12:2

What are we not to be? _____

What are we to be? _____

How? _____

What will be the result? _____

Is that your desire? _____

God's Word, the Bible, is His instruction to us so that we can renew our minds to think God's truth.

Read II Timothy 3:16-17. Describe four benefits gained from studying the Bible.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

You will want to read and study the Bible regularly. Start today and read one chapter from the Gospel of John each day.

3. FELLOWSHIP AND GROW IN GOD'S FAMILY

God wants us to enjoy the fellowship of other Christians as part of His family.

Hebrews 10:24-25 says that we should not _____

How would you benefit from being with other Christians? _____

If you do not already attend, you should plan to start going to a Bible believing church and a Life Group (or other small group fellowship). This would be a real encouragement to you.

GROW TOGETHER

Take the next step to grow in the knowledge of God's Word. Plan to go on to the One-to-One Dynamic Discipling next week. Someone will be available to meet with you.

Why should we be diligent? II Timothy 2:15 Write out this verse:

4. SHARE YOUR NEW LIFE WITH OTHERS

You are only beginning to understand the good things that are now yours because of your new life in Christ. What are some changes that you have experienced so far?

Are they changes that your family and friends would also enjoy? _____

Besides the fact that they can experience the joys of knowing Christ personally, why else should you share with them?

Acts 4:12 _____

What are we saved from? _____

If you follow Christ, what will He do for you?

Mark 1:17 _____

Who would you like to invite to our Life Group or other church activity so they can begin to hear the truths about God?

_____ When will you invite them? _____

Would you like me to help you? _____

Talk about One-to-One Dynamic Discipling.

Read through **Dynamic Discipling – An Opportunity** sheet and be sure to continue on into One-to-One Dynamic Discipling.

Memorise the following verse:

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.”

II Timothy 2:15

Close in prayer.

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--- Discipling ---

ONE-TO-ONE

AN OPPORTUNITY

Most Christians today would like to experience that same supernatural, dynamic and fulfilling life that is described in the New Testament epistles. It was not merely performance to them, but an invasion of their lives by a new quality of life that they described as “*Christ living in them*”.

Experiencing this new quality of life is directly related to our response to God’s word. In the parable of the sower, Jesus illustrates that people respond to His word in four ways. Read Matthew 13:3-9 and 18-23.

Which soil would you like to have represent your life?

Dynamic Discipling is an opportunity to help you to develop a consistent and growing walk with God in the power of the Holy Spirit and to learn how to pass it on to someone else.

WHAT IS DYNAMIC DISCIPLING?

1. It is a series designed to help you grow in your love for God and for others.
2. It consists of nine one-to-one training sessions which are used by one person to train another who will in turn train another person.
3. We will meet together once a week for one, to one-and-a-half hours to share, study Biblical principles and pray together.

WHY ONE-TO-ONE?

1. Short term one-to-one discipleship is easily reproduced. (The most effective way to pass on training to another.)
2. Almost anyone can do individual training. A man trains a man; a woman trains a woman.
3. It is real potential for you to develop as a leader.
4. You become more accountable

5. It helps you become more committed in obedience to Christ as you model effective discipleship.
6. You will have an opportunity to develop strong Christian relationships.
7. It provides flexibility in scheduling our Dynamic Discipleship times together.

THE GOALS OF DYNAMIC DISCIPLING ARE TO:

1. Help you grow in your relationship with God and experience His power. (Ephesians 3:16,17)
2. Help you develop a deeper understanding of God's Word and strengthen your prayer life. (Psalm 1:2,3; Colossians 4:2)
3. Help you develop strong Christian relationships with others. (I Thessalonians 3:12)
4. Help answer your questions concerning the Christian life. (Acts 17:11)
5. Help you gain a good foundation for your life and teach you how to pass it along to another person. (II Corinthians 5:18)

WHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ME TO BE INVOLVED IN DYNAMIC DISCIPLING?

1. A desire to grow in your relationship with Christ.
2. A teachable attitude - willingness to learn from and interact with others.
3. A commitment to attend weekly sessions and to purchase the training manual.
4. A commitment to complete assignments.

WOULD YOU PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER MAKING THIS COMMITMENT TO BE INVOLVED?

I will call you back on _____ for your answer.