

PERSONAL TRAINING PLAN OF

EXAMPLE #1

INTRODUCTION

First, we would like to thank you for taking part in our discipleship program. Your desire to learn and grow to full maturity in Christ is to be commended.

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PLEASE NOTE: In setting the priorities of your discipleship training, it follows that the Stage One areas where you need growth should be addressed first, then Second Stage areas and lastly Third Stage. This is not to say that you couldn't take training or work on things in the other Stages at the same time, but your main focus and first priority should be on the area(s) of the lowest stage number.

STAGE ONE

Congratulations on your level of maturity in Stage One! From your answers you have been thoroughly and Biblically "rooted and grounded" in Christ. Being "Free and Clean" is such a wonderful blessing, and we rejoice and praise God for you and with you.

STAGE TWO

You checked "No" in answer to the following questions:

14. Are you presently an official member of a local church?

15. Have you taken the membership class offered at this local church?

We have no doubt you are a faithful person. You have been walking with the Lord and part of the Body of Christ. The unanswered question is: "Are you led by the Lord to serve with us here?" Having taken the discipleship class, you know why we feel official membership in a local church is so important.

We love having you with us and feel the witness of the Holy Spirit that you are born of God and of the household of faith. With open arms we welcome you into the covenant relationship of membership here. ***Next time it is offered, please come to the membership class where you can ask questions and further explore the possibility.***

18. Would you characterize your current prayer-life and Bible reading time as: (Answer: Sporadic)

Your answer to this question is very common among believers today. Hectic schedules can leave us too tired and worn out to pray or study the Word. The key to breakthrough in this area may be found in your answer to question 35:

"Would you characterize your relationship with the Lord as "close and intimate"? (Your answer: No).

You also describe yourself in the self-examination (accurately) as being a “servant of God” and also that He is your “Master” and “Lord”. However, devotional time is based on intimacy (at least it should be) and not on service. Prayer and Bible reading should be something we “want to do” and not “have to do” out of duty or obligation. Intimacy is what shifts us from “have to” to “want to”. When intimacy is there we delight in His Word. “In His presence is fullness of joy”. We are refreshed and comforted. We look forward to and savor each moment: making time to be with Him.

There are many of life’s past and present experiences that can affect our intimate relationship with the Lord. **The pastoral staff is available to meet and pray with you more about this area.**

STAGE THREE

The following questions where you answered “No” cover areas that require more training, experience, or confidence.

24. Have you led someone to salvation by sharing the Gospel in the last year?

Sometime in the near future we want to offer training, or a refresher course, in one-on-one evangelism. There are dozens of good systems and methods out there, but we want training that will match methods to fit personalities rather than changing personalities to match a method. In this way our Gospel presentations will be more natural and can move with ease in the Holy Spirit, rather than feel awkward. **Please sign up for this when it becomes available.**

25. Have you ever “laid hands on the sick” and seen them recover?

26. Have you prayed with someone to be “filled with the Holy Spirit” and they spoke with other tongues?

These questions (25 & 26) fall under the six doctrines (teachings) of Jesus mentioned in Hebrews 6:2, one of these being “The laying on of hands”. In the future we will be offering classes on all six of these important teachings. **Be sure and sign up for these when they become available.**

27. Has the Lord ever used you in the gift of prophesy?

30. Are you exercised and confident in using your God-given authority over evil spirits?

31. Do you pray in the Spirit on a regular basis?

The above areas The Bible says we are to “covet earnestly” the gifts (1 Cor.12:31) and to “covet” to prophesy (1 Cor.14:39). Covet is a very strong word that involves our asking, seeking, knocking and finding. As you earnestly desire these things of God you will find yourself growing in these areas.

Also, the “No” answers to questions 24, 25, 26 and 30 may not be so much a matter of “how-to”, but *opportunity*. As we go forward we will not only give our mature disciples opportunity to minister at church, but training and support to *position themselves* for opportunities to reach people in the community.

32. Do you perceive yourself as equipped to function as a “Pastor where you work” or “Missionary of your block”?

36. Would you describe yourself as being a “FRUITFUL DISCIPLE”?

How you perceive yourself and how well you are equipped to function are very important to us (and to the Lord!). **We stand ready to give you the encouragement, guidance and training you need.**

IN CONCLUSION

We are so blessed by your fellowship and service to our Lord. Our long term goal is to see each church member grow to a place of maturity where we can acknowledge and perhaps even credential them as "local missionaries". You are well on your way to that goal.

We are excited to be working together in this effort. We want to help you reach your full potential, find your area(s) of service and fulfill your calling. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Signed and dated this XX day of XX, 20XX.

Sincerely,

Pastor

Pastor

Pastor

PERSONAL TRAINING PLAN OF

EXAMPLE #2

INTRODUCTION

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STAGE ONE

Congratulations on your level of maturity in Stage One! From your answers you have been thoroughly and Biblically "rooted and grounded" in Christ. As you indicated, you are still in process of getting free and healed in some areas. Also, we are admonished in the Bible to: "watch ..and keep our garments" because He is coming soon. We want to give you all the love and support you need.

Having come through a divorce there are still emotional healings that need to take place. We also want to make sure you do not carry any of these wounds with you in current and future relationships. Time for healing, counsel, setting safe boundaries, your relationships with your children and other matters should be bathed in prayer and discussed.

Please set up a time to meet with Pastor XX to talk over these issues and see what we can do to help.

STAGE TWO

You checked "No" in answer to the following questions:

14. Are you presently an official member of a local church?

15. Have you taken the membership class offered at this local church?

You belong to Jesus and are part of the Body of Christ. The unanswered question is: "Have you been led by the Lord to serve with us here at this local church?" Having taken the discipleship seminar, you learned why we feel official membership in a local church is so important. We love having you with us and feel the witness of the Holy Spirit that you are born of God and of the household of faith. We want to welcome you into the covenant relationship of membership here. ***Next time it is offered, please come to the membership class where you can ask questions and further explore the possibility.***

18. Would you characterize your current prayer-life and Bible reading time as: (Answer: Sporadic)

Your answer to this question is very common among believers today. Hectic schedules can leave us too tired and worn out to pray or study the Word. The key to victory is in changing our devotional life from being just another chore or duty

to the time of refreshing, healing and comfort that the Lord intends. When we are refreshed and comforted we look forward to and make more time to be with Him.

Developing in this area takes some adjusting and sometimes healing from past practices and attitudes. As many others in the church could also benefit we hope to provide training in this area soon. **Please enroll when this is offered.**

20. How would you best describe your current marriage or relationships with family members?

You answer was "Troubled". (See reply under Stage One)

STAGE THREE

You checked "No" in answer to the following questions:

24. Have you led someone to salvation by sharing the Gospel in the last year?

Sometime in the future we will be offering training, a refresher course as it were, in one-on-one evangelism. There are dozens of good systems and methods out there, but we will be developing special training that will match methods to fit our personalities rather than changing our personalities to match a method. In this way our Gospel presentations will be more natural and we can move with ease in the Holy Spirit rather than be awkward and forced. **Please sign up for this training when you see it becomes available.**

27. Has the Lord ever used you in the gift of prophecy?

31. Do you pray in the Spirit on a regular basis?

The Bible says we are to "covet earnestly" the gifts (I Cor.12:31) and to "covet" to prophecy (I Cor.14:39). Covet is a very strong word that involves our asking, seeking, knocking and finding. (Luke 11:9-13) As you earnestly desire this of God you will find yourself growing in this area.

The Bible teaches there is one baptism (speaking of when you initially received the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues) but many "refillings". Paul admonished: "Do not be drunk with wine, but be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18). The Greek verb translated "be filled" can be accurately translated "be *being* filled." or "be continually being refilled". Paul knew the Ephesians had already been filled (Acts 19:1-6). But he saw the need to stay filled. It is God's will and indeed His command for all His children to be both filled and refilled. Sometimes our capacity for God (vessel) enlarges over time as we walk with Him. What was full once now needs more to overflow again. It is perfectly Biblical to seek God and ask Him to refill you with the Holy Spirit. As you tap into the Living Water that is continually available, you will soon find yourself filled to overflowing. In this case overflowing in the prophetic and praying in the Spirit on a regular basis. "...my cup runneth over". (Psalm 23:5)

IN CONCLUSION

Example #2, we are so blessed by your fellowship. Our long term goal is to see each church member grow to a place of maturity where we can acknowledge and credential them as local Christian workers and missionaries. "Every member a minister": Confident of whom we are in Christ and who Christ is in us. Equipped and able to do the work of the ministry as in Ephesians 4:12.

PERSONAL PLAN OF EXAMPLE #2 (Cont.)

We are excited to be working together in this effort. We want to help you reach your full potential, find your area(s) of service and fulfill your calling. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Signed and dated this XX day of XX, 20XX.

Sincerely,

Pastor

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EXAMPLE #3

INTRODUCTION

First, we would like to thank you for taking part in the discipleship program. Your desire to learn and grow to full maturity in Christ is to be commended.

Your personal training plan has been developed based on the answers you gave to questions on the Self Evaluation.

HOW PRIORITIES ARE ESTABLISHED: In setting priorities in discipleship training, it follows that any Stage One areas should be addressed first, then Second Stage areas and lastly Third Stage. This is not to say that the disciple could not take training or work on things in the other Stages at the same time, but the main focus and first priority should be on the area(s) of the lowest stage number.

STAGE ONE

Congratulations on your level of maturity in Stage One! From your answers you have been thoroughly and Biblically "rooted and grounded" in Christ. Being "Free and Clean" is such a wonderful blessing, and we rejoice and praise God for you and with you.

We noticed you left blank the question that asked if you were baptized before or after conversion. A blank on the examination usually indicates we need to talk more about it. The Bible teaches that we practice "believer's baptism" or that baptism is done after conversion. We also believe that Baptism is a physical act as well as spiritual and so also does a work in the body. (In that this can "cut off the Egyptians" as in the Biblical type of water baptism and the crossing of the red-sea as taught in the discipleship class). In this way water baptism can also help protect the body from physical attacks.

FYI, one thing that came out of preparing your discipleship plan was the need for a private service. There is nothing in the Bible that indicates baptism has to be a public event. In fact it could be done with only 2 people: i.e. Phillip and the Ethiopian. We see a need for people that have been walking with the Lord for many years to be baptized in a format differently than the traditional baptismal tank in front of the congregation.

This could all be moot as you may have left the question blank by a simple omission, **but if you are so led and want to talk more about this subject, feel free to talk to Pastor XX.** However, if you have peace and confidence in your baptism experience, then so do we and the matter settled. (Plan preparer's note: Turned out this person left the question blank by omission. In hindsight it would have been easier to call and clarify than to give the above answer! Good thing to know on all questionable answers.)

STAGE TWO

A Faithful Member...No issues to address!

STAGE THREE

A Fruitful Disciple ... Praise the Lord!

IN CONCLUSION

It was evident even before seeing your self-examination that you are an "Ananias" mature disciple. It is an honor to know you and serve the Lord with you at church.

Once people reach the level of maturity you have, it is only a matter of maintaining spiritual health or training as the Lord leads. This is much in the same way as we still have annual physical check-ups or professional people use CEU's (Continuing Education Units) to assist them in maintaining his or her license in their profession.

Our long term goal is to see each church member grow to a place of maturity where we can acknowledge and credential them as local Christian workers and missionaries. "Every member a minister": Confident of whom we are in Christ and who Christ is in us. Equipped and able to do the work of the ministry as in Ephesians 4:12.

We rejoice to say that you have reached that goal!

We are excited to be working with you in making disciples. With our Discipleship program in place we will be able to focus more on giving you and other mature disciples the support, interaction and encouragement needed to minister. We are looking to issue local church credentials to you and the other members who qualify. Those credentialed can network, be edified, supported and share the exploits God is doing through them.

Signed and dated this XX day of XX, 20XX.

Sincerely,

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EXAMPLE #4

INTRODUCTION

First, we would like to thank you for taking part in the discipleship program. Your desire to learn and grow to full maturity in Christ is to be commended.

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STAGE ONE

Congratulations on your level of maturity in Stage One! From your answers you have been thoroughly and Biblically "rooted and grounded" in Christ. Being "Free and Clean" is such a wonderful blessing, and we rejoice and praise God for you and with you.

STAGE TWO

You checked "No" in answer to the following questions:

- 14. Are you presently an official member of a local church?**
- 15. Have you taken the membership class offered at Trinity Tabernacle?**
- 16. Are you faithfully tithing (Giving 10% income) to your local church?**

We have no doubt you are a faithful person. You have been walking with the Lord and part of the Body of Christ for many years. The unanswered question is: "Have you been led by the Lord to serve with us here?" Having taken the discipleship class, you learned why we feel official membership in a local church is so important.

We love having you with us and feel the witness of the Holy Spirit that you are born of God and of the household of faith. With open arms we would welcome you into the covenant relationship of membership here. ***Next time it is offered, please come to the membership class where you can ask questions and further explore the possibility.***

On the question of giving 10%, our members have agreed to give this amount of money (as a minimum) to this local church. (They are also free to give offerings beyond this to other ministries or charity as the Lord leads) We believe 10% is the Biblical amount for church members to give in order to support the local church they attend. By doing this we pool our resources and accomplish much more together than we can separately. Knowing how much we have to work with also enables us to budget and plan our projects. How we use the money, towards missions, building maintenance, works of charity, salaries, evangelism etc., is decided by the Lord as He leads the members of this church and the board they chose to represent them.

20. How would you best describe your current marriage or relationships with family members?

You answer was "Getting By".

We understand that your wife has been suffering with illness and pain for many years. Our heart goes out, not only to her, but to you for all the stress and suffering you have endured. With all that is within us we want to help you both find a place of healing and victory. **We will continue to seek God, pray and stand with you until deliverance comes.**

22. Have people called you "moody"? Do you have "mood swings"?

This question was left unanswered.

A blank usually indicates that we need to meet together to talk about it. Emotional ups and downs or "mood swings" would be normal for someone who has experienced the stresses you have been under at home. But whatever the cause, Pastor XX would like to meet with you for prayer, privately or with the other ordained staff, and believe God for emotional comfort and healing. **When you feel ready, call the office to set up a time to talk and allow the Holy Spirit to minister to you.**

STAGE THREE

You checked "No" in answer to the following questions:

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Sometime in the future we will be offering training, a refresher course as it were, in one-on-one evangelism. There are dozens of good systems and methods out there, but we will be developing special training that will match methods to fit our personalities rather than changing our personalities to match a method. In this way our Gospel presentations will be more natural and we can move with ease in the Holy Spirit rather than be awkward and forced. **Please sign up for this training when you see it becomes available.**

26. Have you prayed with someone to be "filled with the Holy Spirit" and they spoke with other tongues?

27. Has the Lord ever used you in the gift of prophesy?

The first questions (26) falls under the six doctrines (teachings) of Jesus mentioned in Hebrews 6:2, one of these being "The laying on of hands". In the future we will be offering classes on all six of these important teachings. **Be sure and sign up for these when they become available.**

Concerning question 27: The Bible says we are to "covet earnestly" the gifts (I Cor.12:31) and to "covet" to prophesy (I Cor.14:39). Covet is a very strong word that involves our asking, seeking, knocking and finding. (Luke 11:9-13) As you earnestly desire this of God you will find yourself growing in this area.

EXAMPLE #4 PLAN (Cont.)

The Bible teaches there is one baptism (speaking of when you initially received the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues) but many "refillings". Paul admonished: "Do not be drunk with wine, but be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18). The Greek verb translated "be filled" can be accurately translated "be *being* filled." or "be continually being refilled". Paul knew the Ephesians had already been filled (Acts 19:1-6). But he saw the need to stay filled. It is God's will and indeed His command for all His children to be both filled and refilled. Sometimes our capacity for God (vessel) enlarges over time as we walk with Him. What was full once now needs more to overflow again.

It is perfectly Biblical to seek God and ask Him to refill you with the Holy Spirit. As you tap into the Living Water that is continually available, you will soon find yourself filled to overflowing. In this case overflowing in the prophetic. "...my cup runneth over". (Psalm 23:5)

We want our members to feel free to obey God and move in prophecy.

Question 32. Do you perceive yourself as equipped to function as a "Pastor where you work" or "Missionary of your block"?

In response to this question you put a check in-between the "yes" and "no" box. How you perceive yourself and how well you are equipped to function are very important to us (and to the Lord!). **We stand ready to give you the encouragement, guidance and training you need.**

IN CONCLUSION

Example #4, we are so blessed by your fellowship and with getting to know you more. Our long term goal is to see each church member grow to a place of maturity where we can acknowledge and credential them as local Christian workers and missionaries. "Every member a minister": Confident of whom we are in Christ and who Christ is in us. Equipped and able to do the work of the ministry as in Ephesians 4:12.

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Signed and dated this XX day of XXXX, 20XX.

Sincerely,

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PERSONAL TRAINING PLAN OF

EXAMPLE #5

INTRODUCTION

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STAGE ONE

We want to begin with congratulating you on the maturity you have in the area of morality. There is no evidence of overt or “besetting” sins in your life and you describe yourself as being “Free and Clean”. It takes God’s grace and faith to live a Holy life before Him, and your walk is evidence of His working in you.

The areas in Stage One that you need to focus on are found in questions 1, 2 and 3.

- 1. If you died right now, are you absolutely sure you would go to heaven? (Have you been “born again”?)**
- 2. Have you been baptized in water by immersion?**
Were you baptized before or after you became a believer?
- 3. Can you presently speak or pray in tongues? (as in I Cor. 14:14-15)**
Have you ever spoken in tongues? (as in Acts 2:38)

In question 1, about going to heaven and being born again, you answered “I hope so”. We believe by the fruit of your life that you have been, but what is much more important is that you know in your heart that you have been born again and are sure you are going to heaven. God wants you to have a “know so” salvation. As believers we are entitled by God to have this “blessed assurance”.

Your response in Question 2 that you have not yet been baptized in water by immersion (since you decided to follow Jesus whole-heartedly) could be the key. When Jesus was baptized the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in the form of a dove. God the Father spoke out of heaven and said that He was pleased with Jesus submitting to baptism by immersion and called Jesus His “beloved Son”. In the same way, as you are obedient in baptism by immersion, God will bear witness and give assurance that you too are also His son.

Sometimes older people that need to be baptized by immersion are hesitant to do so. They relate baptism to something for babies and do not want to stand before a church congregation in a public service. However, there is nothing in the Bible that indicates baptism has to be a public event. In fact it could be done with only 2 people: (i.e. Phillip who baptized the Ethiopian). Or it could be done with just immediate family present as in the case of the Philippian Jailer (see Acts chapter 16).

EXAMPLE #5 PLAN STAGE ONE (CONT.)

If this bears witness and God is dealing with you about being baptized now, just speak the word and we will make this happen. We can go to a lake, river, swimming pool or pond. The Bible only requires we have water. You can have as many or few people as you want to be there.

Your being water baptized will also help address your “No” responses in Question 3: The Baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. As you learned in the discipleship class, water baptism helps prepare our bodies to receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit and accompanying tongues. The Bible teaches: “Repent and be **baptized**...and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost”. When people have a problem receiving this gift it is almost always due to the fact they have not been baptized by immersion (since they gave their heart to the Lord). We have even seen people come up out of the water speaking in tongues after they get baptized.

However, the usual way to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit is to ask Him for the gift after we get baptized and through the “laying on of hands”.

"If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?"

Luke 11:11-13

Should you request, we are always available for prayer, to lay hands on you and agree in faith as you seek Him who is the Baptizer.

STAGE TWO

In Stage Two you describe yourself as a “Faithful Member” and so do we. We are honored to have you as a member of this local church. The only areas of concern identified by your self-evaluation answers are questions 16 and 18:

16. Are you faithfully tithing (Giving 10% income) to your local church?

18. Would you characterize your current prayer-life and Bible reading time as: (Check One)

In answer to question 16 on tithing you answered “No”. When you became a member of XX, a condition to join was to be in agreement with our By-laws. Our Constitution lists the standards of membership of the church. One of those standards is: “Willingness to tithe regularly to the support of the church according to his or her ability”.

Sometimes there is a reason that may affect our ability to tithe, and our constitution allows for this. You may have a valid reason. Please meet with Pastor XX if this is the case. If there is no reason evident, we encourage you to challenge your faith to obey the Lord in this matter. This will not only be a blessing to the work of the Lord but open a door for God to bless you even more:

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Malachi 3:10

EXAMPLE #5 PLAN STAGE TWO (CONT.)

You answer to question 18 revealed that your prayer and bible reading is sporadic. While this is common with many Christians today in this busy world, God still wants us to spend quality time in fellowship with Him. We believe you will become more consistent in this **as you address the things we listed for you to do under Stage One.**

As you are filled with the Holy Spirit, the Bible says He will teach you, lead and guide you. He will put a greater hunger for the things of God in your heart and make the Bible and your prayer time “come alive”. The Bible says:

“Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.” 2 Cor. 3:6

Without the Holy Spirit the Bible is like a dead letter and our prayer time dry. After you receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit you will find greater joy and more consistency in your devotional life.

STAGE THREE

The questions in this stage reveal your level of maturity as a Fruitful Disciple. The reason you are not more developed in this area is again tied to Stage One. These things are the direct result of being filled with the Holy Spirit. They are almost all gifts and fruits of the Spirit. As God fills you initially (with the evidence of speaking in tongues) and then keeps on filling and refilling you, you will soon see these gifts and fruits manifest in your life.

Some plants produce fruit after a short growing season and others may take a year. Some vines and fruit trees take two or three years. As you abide in Him and He lives in you, the fruit of the Spirit will naturally spring forth in your life. In any event, it will not be long before you are producing “much fruit”. There is still time in your life to bring forth some “bumper crops”!

IN CONCLUSION

We are so blessed by your fellowship and service to our Lord. We are excited to be working with the Lord together in your discipleship. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Signed and dated this XX day of XX, 20XX.

Sincerely,

Pastor

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PERSONAL TRAINING PLAN OF

EXAMPLE #6

INTRODUCTION

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STAGE ONE

You checked "Yes" in answer to the following questions:

- 9. **Do you have any compulsive behavior disorders (or OCB)?**
- 11. **Have you tried to stop engaging in pornography and are unable to do so?**

Sometimes compulsive disorders manifest because of un-healed wounds we have from life experiences. Please **schedule a time where you can meet with Pastor XX**. As we come together in His presence, the gifts of the Holy Spirit are powerful and effective to bring deliverance and healing.

We admire your honesty to confess the problem you are having in question 11. We see you have enrolled in the Conquer Series. We have faith this will be a mighty tool to bring help to you and the other men at church who are wrestling in this area.

You do not describe yourself as free and clean now...but you soon will! Jesus came to make us free and clean. He is much more powerful than any problem you face. While He is healing and bringing victory in these areas please remain active in serving others. Remember Job was healed when he prayed for his friends.

STAGE TWO

- 18. **Would you characterize your current prayer-life and Bible reading time as: (Answer: Sporadic)**

The key to breakthrough in this area may be found in your answer to question 35:

"Would you characterize your relationship with the Lord as "close and intimate"? (Your answer: No).

You also describe yourself in the self-examination (accurately) as being a "Servant of Jesus Christ". However, devotional time is based on intimacy (at least it should be) and not on service. Prayer and Bible reading should be something we "want to do" and not "have to do" out of duty or obligation. Intimacy is what shifts us from "have to" to "want to". When intimacy is there we delight in His Word. We are refreshed and comforted. We look forward to and savor each moment: making time to be with Him.

No doubt your intimacy with the Lord has been affected by the guilt and condemnation you feel from the Stage One issue. Surprisingly, some experts say that men do this because they lack true intimacy in their lives. As we go forward with Conquer Series and you are healed in this area, you will also find your devotional life is blessed.

You answered "No" to the following question:

21. Can your creditors, employer, or friends all characterize you as “faithful and dependable”?

After Stage One "Free and Clean" you can address this area. If your reputation has been damaged because of past or current problems, this can be repaired and turned into a glorious testimony. We stand ready to advise and work with you.

STAGE THREE

You checked "No" in answer to the following questions:

27. Has the Lord ever used you in the gift of prophesy?

The Bible says we are to "covet earnestly" the gifts (I Cor.12:31) and to "covet" to prophesy (I Cor.14:39). Covet is a very strong word that involves our asking, seeking, knocking and finding. (Luke 11:9-13) As you earnestly desire this of God you will find yourself growing in this area.

The Bible teaches there is one baptism (speaking of when you initially received the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues) but many "refillings". Paul admonished: "Do not be drunk with wine, but be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18). The Greek verb translated "be filled" can be accurately translated "be *being* filled." or "be continually being refilled". Paul knew the Ephesians had already been filled (Acts 19:1-6). But he saw the need to stay filled. It is God's will and indeed His command for all His children to be both filled and refilled. Sometimes our capacity for God (vessel) enlarges over time as we walk with Him. What was full once now needs more to overflow again. It is perfectly Biblical to seek God and ask Him to refill you with the Holy Spirit. As you tap into the Living Water that is continually available, you will soon find yourself filled to overflowing. In this case overflowing in the prophetic. "...my cup runneth over". (Psalm 23:5)

Question 32. Do you perceive yourself as equipped to function as a “Pastor where you work” or “Missionary of your block”?

In response to this question you put a check in the "No" box. You also do not see yourself as a "Fruitful Disciple". How you perceive yourself and how well you are equipped to function are very important to us (and to the Lord!). Once people reach the level of maturity you have, it is a matter of maintaining spiritual health or training as the Lord leads. **We stand ready to give you the encouragement, guidance and training you need.**

IN CONCLUSION

Our long term goal is to see each member grow to a place of maturity where we can acknowledge and credential them as local Christian workers and missionaries. "Every member a minister": Confident of whom we are in Christ and who Christ is in us. Equipped and able to do the work of the ministry as in Ephesians 4:12.

Do not lose heart! You are very close to this goal!

We are excited to be working with the Lord together in this effort. We want to help you reach your full potential, find your area(s) of service and fulfill your calling. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Signed and dated this XX day of XX, 20XX.

Sincerely,

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