

MENTORING INDIVIDUALS

INTRODUCTION

I. SCRIPTURAL TESTIMONY FOR TRAINING FAITHFUL MEN

- A. Training Faithful Men Is Christ's Mandate.
- B. Training Faithful Men Was Christ's Method.
- C. Training Faithful Men Was Paul's Method.
- D. Training Faithful Men Produced The Model Church.

II. SEVENTEEN SPIRITUAL BENEFITS OF TRAINING FAITHFUL MEN

- # 1. *It will enable you to know the spiritual state of your men.*
- # 2. *It will enable you to help your men grow spiritually.*
- # 3. *It will make your preaching more effective.*
- # 4. *It will develop a bond of love.*
- # 5. *It will enable you to be a true shepherd.*
- # 6. *It will enable your men to understand the pastoral office.*
- # 7. *It will produce godly children.*
- # 8. *It will produce radiant wives.*
- # 9. *It will strengthen future generations.*
- # 10. *It will make the best use of your time.*
- # 11. *It will keep you alert spiritually.*
- # 12. *It will cause you to focus on the main priority of your CBLT Center.*
- # 13. *It will multiply your ministries.*
- # 14. *It will lighten your counseling load.*
- # 15. *It will equip workers, for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry.*
- # 16. *It will produce more witnessing Christians.*
- # 17. *It will enable you to fulfill the 'one another' commands of Scripture.*

III. EIGHT REQUIREMENTS TO BE AN EFFECTIVE TRAINER OF MEN

- #1. You must know your goal.
 - A. *It helps him to gain assurance of salvation.*
 - B. *It helps him to receive God's best in every area of his life.*
 - C. *It helps him to so love his wife that she would respond to him as the church should to Christ.*
 - D. *It helps him to so lead his family, that his children would honor him and obey him.*
 - E. *It helps him to prepare his sons and daughters for successful marriages.*
 - F. *It helps him to gain financial freedom.*
 - G. *It helps him to discover insights from Scripture in order to make wise decisions.*
 - H. *It helps him to learn how to appropriate God's power over sin.*
- # 2. You must know your man.
- # 3. You must know how to take your man to the goal.
- # 4. You must be power conscious, not problem conscious.
- # 5. You must focus on people, not programs.

6. You must be a learner.

7. You must be a teacher.

A. *By sharing the things you have learned yourself.*

B. *You need to share yourself.*

C. *By showing the way.*

8. You must be flexible.

A. *Flexible as a father 1 Thessalonians 2:11-12*

B. *Flexible as a mother 1 Thessalonians 2:7*

C. *Flexible as a brother 1 Thessalonians 2:1,9*

D. *Flexible as a friend John 15:13*

IV. THREE ASPECTS OF TRAINING FAITHFUL MEN

1. Teaching.

2. Training.

3. Transmitting.

V. OUR MAIN GOAL

1. *Men who are committed to the Lordship of Christ.*

2. *Men who are committed to obedience to God's Word.*

3. *Men who are committed to loving the brothers.*

4. *Men who are committed to bearing fruit.*

VI. HOW TO BEGIN TRAINING FAITHFUL MEN

A. Be convinced it is not an option.

B. Rearrange your schedule to make it a priority.

C. Pray that the Lord would send you a faithful man.

D. Be alert for indications of a faithful man.

E. Begin a screening process.

The FIRST Meeting

The SECOND Meeting

The THIRD Meeting

The FOURTH Meeting (Basically it follows the same system.)

F. You need to pray and think about it.

G. Complete the trainers Helpful Insights. Project 7 in the Project Sheet)

H. Set up regular structured meetings:

I. Plan some unstructured times together in the summer.

1. *If you are married, include your wife and do some things together as families.*

2. *Visit some other believers.*

3. *Do a spiritual activity together. Go witnessing, go talk to some unbelievers together.*

4. *Expose him to opportunities for future growth.*

J. As your ministry multiplies...then

1. *Have your man follow the same process with another man.*

2. *Have them complete a Trainer's Report every month, see Project sheet page 11, and give it to you as Bible CBLT Center director.*
3. *Have a special monthly or quarterly meeting for all the men involved in the "training faithful men" individually" ministry.*

VII. BECOMING A FAITHFUL MAN — PROJECT 1

- A. Why must we train faithful men?
- B. What are the four marks Jesus gives of a faithful man?
- C. How is someone trained?

VIII. SPIRITUAL EVALUATION — PROJECT 2

- A. Now we look at "faith."
- B. "God's Word", works the same way.
- C. There are five categories:
 1. *The first is my relationship to God.*
 2. *My relationship to my partner.*
 3. *My relationship to my children.*
 4. *My relationship to other believers.*
 5. *My relationship to non-believers.*

IX. SETTING PERSONAL GOALS —PROJECT 3

X. CURRICULUM GUIDE — PROJECT 4

XI. COMMITMENT CHART — PROJECT 5

- A. *To God to be His man at all times and in all circumstances.*
- B. *A commitment to growth.*
- C. *I will make a commitment to a growing group of faithful men.*
 1. *I will begin by making a list and praying for some of them by name.*
 2. *I will begin ministering to other men as good as I can.*
 3. *I will train at least one other faithful man.*

XII. PRE-TRAINING EVALUATION — PROJECT 6

- A. Did he contact you, or did you have to contact him, for your meetings during the past month?
- B. Did he arrive on time at the meetings, or did he say,
- C. Did he diligently and enthusiastically complete the assignments you gave him?
- D. Do you sense a good rapport and ease in communication, with him?
- E. Does he demonstrate a teachable spirit?
- F. Do you believe he will take this training seriously and make it a high priority in his schedule?
- G. Do you believe he fully understands the My Commitment card, and has he has signed it?
- H. Do you have peace that this is the man God would have you spend quality time with for the next several months or school year?

XIII. HELPFUL INSIGHTS — PROJECT 7

- A. You begin with the strong points, and you just encourage him further in those.
- B. The weak points that are hindering his spiritual growth and ministry need to be strengthened.

C. Definite steps of action to take to encourage and strengthen him.

XIV. TRAINERS REPORT — THAT'S PROJECT 8

CONCLUSION

LEADER'S GUIDE

STUDENT NOTES

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR MEN

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR WOMEN

PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENT

SUPPLEMENT PRAYER NOTES

SUPPLEMENT PROJECT SHEETS