

WEEK TWO EMAIL

Good Afternoon

It is Pastor Conrad with this week's study guide for our Evangelism and Ministry Training Course (Week 2)

The Topic for this week is: Building our life on the Word of God

The Study Guide Two is in both PDF and Word Format and the additional teachings in PDF Format

For this week's study we have:

- 1) The two page Study Guide,
- 2) A 5 page teaching on the Importance of building our life on the Word of God (from our Pastors Workshop Manual)
- 3) Some keys to effectively preaching the gospel*

*On the weekend I also ran our second Evangelism Fire Workshop for 2015.

*I put together a teaching for this workshop called Some keys to effectively preaching the gospel. Due to the urgency for preaching the gospel I have also gone ahead a little with this course by also attaching this evangelism teaching to help all Pastors and Christians to preach and witness more effectively. The harvest is ripe now and the return of the Lord imminent.

The six questions for this week to consider at the end of the readings are for self examination:

- i) Do I have the Word of God open when I am praying and seeking God for answers and direction. Do I consistently receive direction through God's Word
- 2) Do I spend enough time in the Word of God on a regular basis (Do I give myself a day off each week to soak in God's Word where I allow the Lord to minister to me through His Word.)
- 3) Do I meditate on the Word of God in such a way that the Word goes from my head to my heart and brings transformation to my life
- 4) Do I (for pastors) seek the Lord each week for a Word in Season for my church as I prepare my Messages
- 5) Do we (for pastors) have studies in place at our church so that all believers have the opportunity of growing in their faith and knowledge of the Word of God
- 6) Do I have a commitment to always being both a hearer and doer of the Word in every area of my life

Some Answers for last week's questions on prayer:

i) What can stop us from having a vibrant prayer life and involving God in all that we do?

Answers: Getting too busy with life/ministry. Getting our focus off the bigness of our God onto our problems. Getting discouraged and losing heart when there are great delays in seeing prayers answered (Luke 18:1)

ii) *How can we maintain a strong faith that we always believe for answered prayers when we pray?*

Answers: Spending time meditating on the promises of God in His Word. Keeping away from skeptics and people who are very negative and unbelieving. Being careful about what we focus on. We need to focus on things that are of good report (Philippians 4:8)

iii) *As a pastor do I encourage those in our church to develop an active prayer life and God dependency?*

iv) *Is prayer an important part of our church life and in my own walk with the Lord?, and*

v) *What can be some of the hindrances to our prayers being answered?*

Unbelief, Having wrong attitudes and sin in our heart (Psalm 66:18), Praying outside of God's will for our life, Having unforgiveness in our hearts (Mark 11:25) It is always so important that both our vertical relationship with God (Matthew 6:33) and our horizontal relationships with others are right to help ensure that our prayers are not hindered (1 Peter 3:7)

Well lets go again for week 2. May you be blessed as you do this week's readings

God Bless

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