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100 Days of Faith

Faith on Purpose

Hebrews 5:12-14 (NIV®)

¹² In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! ¹³ Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. ¹⁴ But solid food is for the mature, **who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.**

Hebrews 12:11 (NIV®)

¹¹ No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

I. The Discipline to Implement

My Intent, *adj.*; What I Intend, *verb*

1) I intend to read through my Bible this year.

Joshua 1:8 (NIV®)

⁸ **Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth;** meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

2) I intend to pray daily.

Colossians 4:2 (NIV®)

² **Devote yourselves to prayer,** being watchful and thankful.

3) I intend to honor God in my home.

Joshua 24:15 (NIV®)

¹⁵ But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

4) I intend to work with integrity.

Colossians 3:23 (NIV®)

²³ Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, **as working for the Lord,** not for men,

5) I intend to teach my children to respect God and His people.

Deuteronomy 6:-7 (NIV®)

⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. ⁷ **Impress them on your children.**

6) I intend to faithfully participate in church.

Hebrews 10:25 (NIV®)

²⁵ Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

7) I intend to cooperate with the Holy Spirit ---recognizing my body as the temple of the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (NIV®)

¹⁹ Do you not know that **your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit,** who is in you, whom you have received from God?

8) I intend to tithe.

Proverbs 3:9 (NIV®)

⁹ **Honor the LORD with your wealth**, with the firstfruits of all your crops;

9) I intend to grow ---in my faith and God's involvement in my life.

1 Peter 2:2-3 (NIV®)

² Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it **you may grow up in your salvation**, ³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

10) I intend to say "yes" to Godliness and "no" to ungodliness.

Titus 2:11-12 (NIV®)

¹¹ For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. ¹² It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age,

II. What's Next ---Training, trying & sincerity

Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV®)

¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

- ❖ The purpose of training
- ❖ The value in trying
- ❖ The significance of sincerity/authenticity

III. The Old Testament/Hebrew Bible

A. Genesis

1. chapters 1-11

2. chapters 12-50

Genesis 12:1-3 (NIV®)

¹ The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. ² "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

- a. Abram
- b. Isaac
- c. Jacob

Genesis 39:1-2 (NIV®)

¹ Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. Potiphar, an Egyptian who was one of Pharaoh's officials, the captain of the guard, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him there. ² **The LORD was with Joseph and he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master.**

Genesis 50:24-26 (NIV®)

²⁴ Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die. But God will surely come to your aid and take you up out of this land to the land he promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." ²⁵ And Joseph made the sons of Israel swear an oath and said, "God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up from this place." ²⁶ So Joseph died at the age of a hundred and ten. **And after they embalmed him, he was placed in a coffin in Egypt.**

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for a season of growth and renewal. You are the one who sustains and gives life. Now may the Holy Spirit enable me to see the opportunities around me and give me the boldness to respond as He directs. May the name of Jesus be exalted and Your purposes for my generation break forth. Deliver me from every hindrance and distraction as I seek You, in Jesus' name, amen.