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Reading: Philippians 3:14

Topic: Planned Goal Setting

INTRODUCTION: There is truth in the old adage which states, "If you aim for _____, then you probably will _____ it, so real achievement is only attained through the process of planning and then setting realistic _____.

I. MINISTRY GOALS:

A. Spiritual:

1. Any ministry that seeks to _____ and reach lost souls must first understand that all spiritual work must be based upon a foundation of _____ and fasting. Mk. 9:28,29
2. Talents and abilities can be used to attract and impress _____, but only the Spirit of God can do the work of bringing the _____ of regeneration in their hearts and lives. Jn. 6:63
3. True prayer and seeking God will bring anointing that _____ the yoke of bondage in the hearts and lives of the _____ that we will minister to. Is. 10:27
4. When we do not pray, we are telling God that we can do this _____ and ministry without Him.

B. Numerical:

1. Some people believe that God is not interested in _____, but the Word of God has many verses that record where God spoke of _____ of people and other things. Ex. 30:12
2. When God gave Moses the responsibility of _____ the Children of Israel, He also instructed him to organize and appoint other _____ to be responsible for numbers of people. Ex. 18:21
3. When Jesus was fulfilling His ministry here on _____ He also chose twelve men to be disciples and used them to _____ crowds into numbers. Lk. 9:14

II. SETTING GOALS:

A. Prayerfully:

1. Before setting numerical goals, one should _____ for direction from God as to what He would desire to be attained in a given _____ of time.
2. Since we know that it is the will of God for _____ people to be saved, we should _____ as to how many that He would want us to reach in our ministry. I Tim. 2:3,4

B. Specific:

1. Once God gives a direction as to a number _____ then one has a mark to begin to work towards
to attain it through effort and _____, for it will not happen by itself. Phil. 3:14
2. When Jesus spent an entire night in _____, He then chose a specific number of men who
would become the foundation of His church and spiritual kingdom and that number was _____.
Lk. 6:

12,13

C. Realistic:

1. If one has gotten the right direction from seeking _____, then one will achieve the goals through
the _____ and effort required to attain them.
2. Some people do not use wisdom in goal setting and they _____ unattainable numbers and when
the goals are not attained, they become discouraged and give up, sometimes blaming God for their
failure to _____ them.

III. DREAMS & GOALS:

A. The Difference:

1. A dream is a general idea that is not set within any real _____ frame and it floats around
out there in the _____ somewhere.
2. A goal is different from a dream in that one sets it within a certain _____ frame to be
accomplished, thus having a mark to _____ for.
3. Most often, natural goals are _____ within a yearly time frame, and thus spiritual goals and
results can also be _____ that way. Lk. 13:6-9

B. The Plan:

1. Once the goal has been established, then a _____ is required in order to attain the
desired number of _____ that one is aiming to reach and disciple.
2. Reaching lost souls and discipling them requires _____ and effort, and a strategy to get
the job accomplished needs to be developed and _____ into action.

C. A Five-Year Goal:

1. Many secular businesses and organizations operate on a five-year _____ for growth and
expansion, and then plan to attain the _____ in percentage segments.
2. Certain churches and ministries have also begun to _____ the five-year growth
vision and plan to achieve reaching and discipling _____ people to increase the harvest.

Example:

5-year Growth Goal – 200 more souls to be added to the church.

Year 1 – 12% = 24 new souls

Year 2 – 16% = 32 new souls

Year 3 – 20% = 40 new souls

Year 4 – 24% = 48 new souls

Year 5 – 28% = 56 new souls

Total = 200 new souls

Where do we find those lost souls? It will be through the _____ basic most effective church growth

methods that we studied in Lesson 2 – 1. First time visitors 2. Home Bible Studies 3. Sunday School

4. Outreach

CONCLUSION: Any ministry within the _____ can also adopt a five year growth plan for it-

self, thus contributing to the accomplishment of the overall _____ growth goal.