

Living the
Spiritual Disciplines



SD #7
Fellowship & Mentoring

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Awareness

We must first gain **Awareness** of any circumstance to change it.

Acceptance

We must next gain **Acceptance** of what we learn before we act.

Action

We must then take specific **Action** to change who we are now.

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What is a Spiritual Discipline?

Activity I do *consistently* that builds
my relationship with God.

AND

**Better equips me to respond
to various challenges of life!**

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#1 **Meeting** Christ

Repentance & Salvation

#2 **Knowing** Christ

Study Scripture & Memorization

#3 **Talking** w/ Christ

Active Prayer & Journaling

#4 **Sacrificing** w/ Christ

Fasting & Tithing

#5 **Showing** Love of Christ

Serving Others

#6 **Sharing** Christ

Telling YOUR story with Christ

#7 **Growing** in Christ

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#8 **Living** w/ Christ

Accountability

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What Does
True Fellowship
Look Like?

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Acts 2:42 – 43 (ESV)

“And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ **teaching** and the **fellowship**, to the **breaking of bread** and the **prayers**. And ***awe came upon every soul***, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles.”

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Acts 2:44 – 45 (ESV)

“And all who believed

were together and had all things in common.

And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need.”

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Acts 2:46 – 47 (ESV)

“And day by day, **attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes**, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, **praising God** and having favor with all the people.

And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.”

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1 Corinthians 1:9 (NIV)

“God is faithful,
who has called you into **fellowship** with his Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.”

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What Does
Mentoring
Look Like?

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Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 (ESV)

“Two are better than one,
because they have a good reward for their toil.

For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow.

But woe to him who is alone when he falls
and has not another to lift him up!”

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Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)

“As iron sharpens iron,
so ***one person sharpens another.***”

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Mentors in the Bible

EXODUS 18 - **Jethro** mentored **Moses** after observing **Moses** trying to solve Israelites disputes.

DEUTERONOMY 31 & 34 - **Moses** mentored **Joshua**. God later chose **Joshua** to lead the Israelites because he had **Moses'** spirit.

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Mentors in the Bible

1 KINGS 19 & 2 KINGS 2 - *Elijah* was the mentor of **Elisha**, who instantly abandoned his life for the chance to be a protégé.

RUTH 1 to 4 - *Naomi* was a mentor to **Ruth** and had such a strong relationship that **Ruth** later refused to leave *Naomi*.

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Mentors in the Bible

ACTS 4, 9, & 11 - *Barnabas* was a mentor to **Paul** when he was a new Christian even though they later separated over Mark.

ACTS 16, PHILIPPIANS 2, and 1 & 2 TIMOTHY - *Paul* was a mentor to **Timothy**. Their relationship was so strong that *Paul* called it a father-son relationship.

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Mentoring

“Mentoring entails more than merely passing on knowledge about God. It involves showing people how to love and serve God.”

***JESUS is the ultimate
Mentor for us all!***

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*What is the
state of
MY
Spiritual
Discipline?*

Hold Up The Mirror!

The Invitation



Awareness

Am I willing to

look in the mirror

& admit that

I need more

Fellowship & Mentoring

in my life?

Acceptance

*Am I willing to admit
that **Growing In Christ**
with others must be a greater priority
in response to
His Love and Sacrifice
for **me?***

Action

With whom will I

Grow in Christ

with this week?