

June Development Guide

SUBJECT: EXCELLENCE



Why Is Excellence So Important?

- We are the hands and feet of Jesus, and we represent who He is to the world.
- The scripture says in Colossians 3:23, *“Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.”*
- Make it count.
 - We consider every interaction with every individual a once-in-a-lifetime privilege.
 - We seek to see everyone as God sees them and infuse our time together with kindness, hospitality, and excellence.

How Do I Get It?

- Do everything to our very best so we glorify God. (1 Corinthians 10:31)
- Pursuing excellence is a matter of choosing the best. (1 Corinthians 15:58)

Definition of Excellence

- “Excellence is not a singular act, but a habit. You are what you repeatedly do.” So, make sure what you do, you are doing well so that you are creating habits that model excellence.
- Excellence is a pursuit that should never come to an end. Never be satisfied with what you have. Always pursue getting better at what you do.
- Excellence is a conscious choice that we make. It never happens by accident!

How Do I Apply Excellence?

- Whatever you put your hand to, do it to the best of your ability. (Colossians 3:23)
- See and solve problems. If you see something is not done right, then be the solution and solve the problem.
- Know the playbook for your area of ministry and make sure you are running the play each week.
- How do we keep the right attitude? By keeping our thoughts according to Philippians 4:8.

Additional Scriptures to Read:

- 1 John 4:17
- 1 Corinthians 15:58
- Daniel 6:3
- 1 Thessalonians 4:1

Discussion Questions:

1. How much do you want to excel in life?
2. How yielded are you to the spirit of excellence?
3. How can you increase your spirit of excellence?

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Videos:

- Horst Schulze on Why Individualized Service Reaches Millennials
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPP97qgPDMI>
- The Pursuit of Excellence | Ryan Hawk
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oiE0wKX2LGO>