

Preparing for Discipleship

We must prepare ourselves individually for an influx of people into our Kingdom Living Community and into the Kingdom in general. We have been receiving spiritual promptings to do this for some time now.

In recent times some of us have had the following preparatory events happening:

- Experience – We have interacted or observed difficult, hurting, damaged people and it has stirred emotions within.
- Changing our Hearts – For those who have submitted to it, he is changing our attitudes so we can handle these people.
- Need for Protocols – Newbies will require these as guidelines so they can fit in more easily while they learn to deal with their soulishness.
- Reprogramming – Newbies will need time to detoxify, be reprogrammed, and for the elimination of religion and legalism.

If we are predisposed towards revival in our nation, where hundreds of thousands are born-again in a short period of time, then we'd better get prepared. We are the ones, as a group and as individuals, who will have to disciple and mentor these new Kingdom citizens. Many have no church background, so they'll need complete teaching. Others with a church background will need reprogramming as well as new teaching.

We cannot rely on the age old system of giving them a Bible and telling them to “come to church on Sundays” and Bible study mid-week. It didn't work for Billy Graham in Australia and it certainly won't work again. Only 20% of converts continued on in the faith in their latter years according to the 50th Anniversary survey conducted in Australia in 2009.

We will need to change the hold we have on our time as part of our preparations. When it comes to mentoring, either in small groups or individually, it will greatly eat into what we call our 'spare time'. Start now. Spend time doing definite Kingdom activities to prepare yourself – e.g. start mentoring a younger person, start meeting with other Community members, etc. This will not be a waste of time as you will be ready for the job when it comes.

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