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God Creates Heavens and The Earth.

(Scriptures from KJV)

Why is Character or Character forming important?

- It shapes your future and opportunities.
- It will limit you in life.
- It will limit the level to which you can rise to.
- It will determine the level that you can be trusted.
- It will determine the level of your responsibility.
- ***You are a sum total of decisions that you have made or not made, in your life.***

God is very interested in character of people: - you have 2 choices -

1. You can allow yourself and family to be formed ***by the world*** – and this could bring you into situations against the law.
2. You can allow yourself and family to be formed ***by the Word of God*** and the Holy Spirit.

The forming of your character is the 1st step that will lead you into your destination in life (or away from you destination)

Examples of men of character in the bible – reaching their destination;

1. Moses – 40 years in the desert before starting ministry.
2. Joseph – 13 years in an Egyptian jail preparing for leadership in Egypt.
3. Daniel – made ruler over the whole province of Babylon. Dan. 2:48
4. Shadrach, Meshach & Abed-Nego – Set in charge over the affairs of the province of Babylon. Dan.2:49

People who would not compromise the truth or doing what is right by Gods standard and not the world's standard.

TIME TO SEE GODLY CHARACTER ONCE AGAIN IN THE BODY OF CHRIST!

8 Steps to the process of developing Character

1. **The Word of God – whatever you start with the Word of God.**
2. **The Word of God Produces Your Thinking!**
3. **Your thinking produces Feelings or Emotions.**
4. **Your Emotions Produce Your Decisions.**
5. **Your Decisions Shape Your Actions.**
6. **Your Actions will determine your habits.**
7. **The type of habits that you have will determine the type of character that you will have.**
8. **The type of character that you have will determine the destination that you will end up in.**

Step 1: The Word of God – whatever you start, start with the Word of God.

1 Peter 1:23; Heb.11:3

God's Word is seed for life – everything should start from the Word, the origin.



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- Whatever you start, it should start with the word.
- The word is incorruptible seed – that will produce every time, will not fail.
- The seed must be planted in us, we are the ground.
- Whatever you want – plant the seed for the harvest.
- Be selective who you let preach to you – they sow seed in you!
- ***The word of God is the origin for all prosperity in your life.***
- It is the Word seed, not money seed that determines increase.
- God`s Word is our covenant platform for and to prosperity.

Step 2: The Word of God Produces Your Thinking!

3 John 1:2

You prosper as your Soul (mind, will and emotions) prospers.

- The environment that you live in - can produce your thinking.
- The words spoken over you in your life - can produce your thinking.
- Your own words will determine your destination.

Prov.23:7

As a Man Thinks in his heart, so is he... (NKJV)

- The way you think will give you failure or success.
- Words will frame your thinking.
- Ask yourself why am I thinking this way – does it line up with God and His Word!

Step 3: Your thinking produces Feelings or Emotions.

(Emotions are feelings on the inside – caused by pain or pleasure are *designed to move you in a direction to or from your destination – by God or Satan!*)

- How you handle your emotions will determine if you experience the Blessing or Curse in your life.
- Take charge over your emotions before they take charge over you and bring you into trouble.
- Do not be ruled by your emotions! - example. Depression etc.

Heb.4:15

- Jesus did not let his emotions and feelings rule him, he ruled them.

Mark 14:32-34

- Jesus went forward and did what God said to do, and kept on praying.

Depression for example:

Is a result of external pressure getting inside our heart and weighting it down, the feelings of depression come from thinking thoughts that weight you down! You have to change the way you think in order to change the way you feel.

Rom.8:5-8 & Col.3:2



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How to get out!

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| 1. Guard your heart, be not troubled- believe what God says! | Prov. 4:20-23 |
| 2. Speak to your problem (mountain), and not about your problem. | Mark 11:22-26 |
| 3. If something is missing in your life, ask for it. | Mark 11:22-26 |
| 4. Receive what you ask for, by faith and joy will come! | Mark 11:22-26 |

Step 4: Your Emotions Produce Your Decisions.

- Your life is the sum total of your decisions.
- A decision is the open door to reality.

Mark 5:1-28

- Jesus ministry is controlled by people that make a quality decision.
- The daughter of Jairus - v21.
- The woman who had an issue of Blood – v 25.

Isaiah 45:11

- Making quality decisions commissions Jesus to follow in our lives – Jesus takes over.

Step 5: Your Decisions Shape Your Actions.

- Your actions cause the increase (or decrease) to take place.

James 1:22-25

- Obey the Word – do it!

1Sam.2:3

- **Actions are weighed in (or honored) with God – a love action!**

Luke 6:27-31

- Your actions are seeds, what you do to others will come back to you.

Rom.12:18-19

- Your love action is what guarantees God`s action.

Eph.3:14-20

- The root of the issue is love – the power of God is working in me!

Step 6: Your Actions will determine Your Habits.

We 1st make our habits and then our habits make us.

Rom.7:19-22

- What am I practicing in my life (in my soul – thinking), good deeds or bad deeds, that will form a habit.

Rom.8:1-2

- Paul has the answer for this problem – walk in the laws of the Spirit and this will control the laws operating in the flesh.

Rom.12:1-2

- **To change your habits you will have to change your thoughts or the way you think – your mind set needs to be changed.**

Rom.8:5-8 & Col.3:2

- Set your mind on things that are above and not below – set your mind on the word of God.

2 Cor.10:3-6, Phil.4:8



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Step 7: The type of habits that you have will determine the type of character that you will have.

Definition of Character:

Character is doing what is right, because it is right, then doing it right.

- Doing what is right comes from the Word of God and then doing what the word says to do, and not the word of the world says to do!
- Doing what is right will prosper other people.
- ***You will never rise above the limitations (issues) of your character.***
- ***God will only give you the anointing that matches your character.***
- ***Your character level will determine your anointing level, prosperity level, supernatural level – your character limits you in life.***

The character of Jesus must be formed in us.

Rom.8:29

- Wherever there is a character flaw in us that becomes an open door for Satan to have access into our lives.
- We create character with every choice we have in life.

Dan.2:48

1. He would only do what was right for his body (how can we conquer life or our enemies if we can not conquer a food or a piece of sugar).
2. He gave God the glory for God would do in what happened in his life.
3. He showed character in his honesty – he spoke the truth to authorities regardless of the unpopularity.
4. He showed character in his discipline – he continued to pray daily even though it might cost him his life.
5. He showed character in his integrity

Step 8: The type of character that you have will determine the destination (destiny) that you will end up in.

To discover the destiny you must renew your mind in these 4 areas:

1. We must believe that God has a plan and destiny for our lives. Jer.29:11
2. We must believe what is on the inside of us controls us, not our circumstances on the outside – for whatever we allow to get on the inside of us will control our lives!
3. We must believe when we give the best we will receive the best – you will reap what you sow. Gal.6:7
4. We must order our lives in a balanced way and we must keep our priorities in line with Gods will or word.

Jer.1:5

- **God knew us before we were formed in the womb and put a destiny in our lives (or a plan).**

Heb.12:1

- We have a **set race** that he has **set** for us.
- It is our responsibility to find that **set race** or **destiny**.

Ecl.3:1

- There is a **time and a purpose** appointed for everything.
- We need to seek God for the correct season to do what He has called and anointed us to do – note also that our anointing is not for us but for others.

JESUS IS LORD!