

STUDY EIGHT WORKSHEET

Section #1: Mentoring in the New Testament

Check out these references. Who could be seen as 'mentoring' or instructing/guiding whom? And in what context or situation is this occurring?

Matthew 10:1-11:1

Mark 8:27-30

Luke 9:28-36

Acts 9:10-17

Acts 9:27

Acts 15:39

Acts 15:40

Acts 16:1-4

2Timothy 2:2

Titus 2:4-5

Titus 2:6

Section #2: A Biblical model of self-assessment.

Read Philippians 3:1-16, note the following then answer the questions below:

3:3-9: Paul acknowledges that he used to trust his own performance but he does do no longer

3:10: Paul's goal is not to know himself, but to know Christ and to become like him

3:12-13: Paul acknowledges that he has neither attained this goal nor become perfect

3:12-14: Paul affirms that nevertheless he presses on towards the goal

3:13: Paul forgets what is behind [does he mean his self-righteousness? Or his guilt? Or maybe both? – Whatever he means, he leaves it behind him. He does not wallow in the guilt or take significance from the perceived achievements.]

3:15: He commends the same attitude to all who are mature.

What is the underlying foundation of Paul's self-assessment?

What is his attitude to his past?

What is his attitude to his present spiritual state?

What are his goals?

Section #3: Challenges to change

Read each scripture below, then answer the challenging question arising from that Scripture, identifying areas of your life that need to change.

Matthew 7:24-27: Have I been wise or foolish in foundational choices?

Matthew 11:28-30: Am I resting in the grace and goodness of Christ or labouring to gain and maintain my salvation by my own efforts?

Matthew 25:1-13: Am I ready for the Lord's return?

John 6:35: Am I really believing in Jesus and enjoying the spiritual contentment and fullness he gives or am I short-sheeting myself by my self-trust and independence?

John 8:32: Am I allowing God's truth to liberate me? Or do I not really believe it?

John 17:4: Am I glorifying God on earth?

Romans 12:1-2; 2Corinthians 3:18: Am I letting the world shape my mindset and values, or am I allowing the Holy Spirit to transform me into the image of God's Son?

2Corinthians 3:18: Looking back over the past year, what change can I see?

Galatians 2:21: Does my attitude to my own religious performance make the death of Christ redundant?

Ephesians 4:1: Am I walking worthy of my calling as a Christian?

Ephesians 4:30: Are my choices grieving my God?

Ephesians 5:1-2: Does my life express the likeness and love of my heavenly Father?

Ephesians 5:8: Which of my current choices/attitudes are expressions of the darkness? And which are expressions of the Light?

Section #4: Looking after yourself

What do these scriptures teach you about looking after your personal spiritual condition?

Acts 20:28

1Corinthians 9:24-27

1Timothy 5:22b

2Timothy 1:13,14

2Timothy 2:15

2Timothy 3:14

James 1:27b

1John 5:21

Jude 20

Jude 21