

BIBLICAL DISCIPLESHIP: TEACHING AND ADMONISHING ONE ANOTHER

"We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ. For this purpose also I labor, striving according to His power, which mightily works within me."

—Colossians 1:28, 29

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God."

—Colossians 3:16

SIX FOUNDATIONAL _____ THAT GOVERN & GUIDE OUR APPROACH TO COUNSELING & FOUR _____ IN THE TRANSFORMATION PROCESS:

FOUR COMPONENTS IN THE TRANSFORMATION PROCESS:

1. SUBMISSION TO _____ AS _____.
2. SUBMISSION TO HIS _____ AS LIFE- _____.
3. SUBMISSION TO HIS _____ AS LIFE- _____.
4. SUBMISSION TO HIS _____ AS LIFE- _____.



SIX FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLES THAT GOVERN & GUIDE US:

1. A personal, _____ relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ provides the means and capability for genuine _____.

"For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf. Therefore from now on we recognize no one according to the flesh; even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him in this way no longer. Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come."

—2 Corinthians 5:14-17

2. God's primary goal in counseling is _____ - i.e., man to God, man to self, man to man.

Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."

—2 Corinthians 5:18-21

3. Scripture is _____ for counseling in that it provides the model, definition, and applications for _____ and _____.

"How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night."

—Psalm 1:1, 2

"All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."

—2 Timothy 3:16-17

"Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust."

—2 Peter 1:2

4. We live in a _____—dominated world. Sinful decisions we make affect our lives and often affect the lives of others; decisions others make affect our lives. God's _____ makes new decisions and _____ possible. New, biblical decisions can change, compensate for, or resolve the _____ caused by sinful decisions.

"And Jesus said, 'I do not condemn you, either. Go. From now on sin no more.'"

—John 8:11

"Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough?"

—1 Corinthians 5:6

"Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God."

—1 Corinthians 6:11

5. Emotional and behavioral _____ can be clues to expose unbiblical thinking, values, and basic life _____ about God, self, and others.

"When my heart was embittered, and I was pierced within, then I was senseless and ignorant; I was like a beast before You."

—Psalm 73:21-22

*"The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel:
To know wisdom and instruction,
To discern the sayings of understanding,
To receive instruction in wise behavior,
Righteousness, justice and equity;
To give prudence to the naive,
To the youth knowledge and discretion,
The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge..."*

—Proverbs 1:1-4, 7a

"You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth?"

...But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

...Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires."

—Galatians 5:7, 16-17, 24

"So this I say, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart; and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness. But you did not learn Christ in this way, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him, just as truth is in Jesus, that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

—Ephesians 4:17-19; 20-24

6. Counseling people biblically is a _____ process.

*"Where there is no guidance the people fall,
But in abundance of counselors there is victory."*

—Proverbs 11:14

*"The way of a fool is right in his own eyes,
But a wise man is he who listens to counsel."*

—Proverbs 12:15

*"Through insolence comes nothing but strife,
But wisdom is with those who receive counsel."*

—Proverbs 13:10

"And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able also to admonish one another."

—Romans 15:14

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