

The background image shows a close-up of hands working on pottery. The hands are covered in a thick, white, creamy substance, likely clay or glaze. One hand is holding a small, white, cylindrical pottery piece, while the other is shaping it. The background is dark and out of focus, showing more pottery and a person's arm with a colorful beaded bracelet.

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OUR VISION:

To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.

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A close-up photograph of a person's hands working on a pottery wheel. The hands are positioned to shape a piece of light-colored clay as it rotates. The background is dark and out of focus, showing a patterned surface. The overall lighting is dramatic, highlighting the texture of the clay and the movement of the hands.

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Acts 4:33 (ESV)

And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.

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A close-up photograph of a person's hands, wearing a watch, skillfully shaping a piece of light-colored clay on a pottery wheel. The wheel is mounted on a wooden stand, and the background shows a workshop setting with various pottery-related items.

INTRODUCTION

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Luke 2:52 (NIV)

52 And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

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Proverbs 22:29 (NIV)

29 Do you see someone skilled in their work? They will serve before kings; they will not serve before officials of low rank.

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Proverbs 22:29 (NLT)

29 Do you see any truly competent workers? They will serve kings rather than working for ordinary people.

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Proverbs 22:29 (AMP)

29 Do you see a man diligent and skillful in his business? He will stand before kings; he will not stand before obscure men.

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Proverbs 22:29 (The Message)

29 Observe people who are good at their work— skilled workers are always in demand and admired; they don't take a backseat to anyone.

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HOW TO BE A SKILLFUL WORKER

- A. LEARN CONTINUUALLY
- B. DILIGENTLY PURSUE EXCELLENCE

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**A. LEARN
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Quote

Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow.

Anthony J. D'Angelo

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**A. LEARN
CONTINUALLY**

1. CONTINUALLY LEARN FROM OTHERS

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Acts 17:11 (NIV)

11 Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.

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**A. LEARN
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2. CONTINUALLY LEARN FROM BOOKS

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2 Timothy 4:13 (ESV)

13 When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments.

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**A. LEARN
CONTINUALLY**

3. CONTINUALLY LEARN FROM CIRCUMSTANCES

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Hebrews 5:8 (ESV)

8 Although he was a son, **he learned obedience through what he suffered.**

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**A. LEARN
CONTINUALLY**

4. CONTINUALLY LEARN FROM FORMAL STUDIES

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Acts 22:3 (ESV)

3 “I am a Jew, born in Tarsus in Cilicia, but brought up in this city, educated at the feet of Gamaliel according to the strict manner of the law of our fathers, being zealous for God as all of you are this day.

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Quote

Making a wrong decision is understandable. Refusing to search continually for learning is not.

Phil Crosby

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**B. DILIGENTLY
PURSUE
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**B. DILIGENTLY
PURSUE EXCELLENCE**

1. YOU EXCEL BY CHANGING YOUR MINDSET

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Philippians 4:8 (NIV)

8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

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**B. DILIGENTLY
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**2. YOU EXCEL BY DEVELOPING
AN EYE FOR EXCELLENCE**

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Philippians 1:9–10 (ESV)

9 And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, 10 so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,

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3. YOU EXCEL BY STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE

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1 Corinthians 14:12 (ESV)

12 So with yourselves, since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit,
strive to excel in building up the church.

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B. DILIGENTLY PURSUE EXCELLENCE

4. YOU EXCEL BY UNDERSTANDING THE AUDIENCE OF ONE CONCEPT

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Colossians 3:23 (NIV)

23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters,

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