

GET ORGANIZED

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Tomorrow will never be an accident. Today started yesterday. Tomorrow starts today. What you do with your today will determine your experience tomorrow. Everyman progressively walks into tomorrow. It is important that you understand that the habits, values, and character developed yesterday and today will be continued except changes are made today. Tomorrow's experiences are the fruits of the values, habits, and character formed yesterday and today. Tomorrow is a continuation of today.

Life without understanding the principles of successful living is always full of miserable experiences. You must understand that the thoughts you think per time, those who speak into your life - the books you read and your teachers, the company you keep, all help to mould your attitude and create your life experiences. Your daily routine matters. You are what you do repeatedly.

Life is a collection of choices. The decisions you make daily determine your experiences. I am going to appeal to you to make a good decision today about what I am going to share with you so that you can have a better tomorrow. You have the power of choice. God created us free moral agents. We are free to decide what we want, how to behave and live our lives, who to relate with and how to relate. We are free to form our own habits, fashion and so on and so forth. But you must also understand that you will be personally responsible for all your decisions. You will give account, get rewarded, or pay the penalty for all your decisions.

PREPARATION FOR MARRIAGE

Having said all that, I want you to know that preparation has to be made for a successful marriage. You need to take a look at yourself and find out what is lacking and where you are lacking. Adjustments have to be made where and when necessary if you really want a successful marriage. I want you to know that success in any venture is hard work. And if you are going to succeed in your marriage, you are going to work hard and sincerely examine your life to find out what needs to stay, what needs to be corrected and adjusted, what needs to be eliminated though it hurts, and finally, new things to be introduced. If you want to remain exactly as you are now and expect that your partner should be the one to change, it means you are not ready to succeed in your intended relationship and marriage.

Stagnant water stinks. Life without changes stinks. Life is dynamic. You too must be dynamic. Change is part of maturity. The very word MATURITY suggests progressive adjustments to mastery and perfection. The word of God through the ministry of the Holy Spirit is changing us from one glory to another as we submit ourselves to God and his word.

“And we who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit” (2Corinth. 3:18)

Prepare for a successful marriage by making changes in your life that are necessary. The problem with young people is that, they all want to start a relationship, get engaged and marry, but are not

concerned about working on themselves to make their relationship and marriage work out well. You should concern yourself about succeeding in your intended marriage. You must never forget the fact that marriage is a relationship between two people who grew up differently, had different parents and backgrounds. Went to different schools and had different acquaintances. Certainly, your habits, desires, attitudes, and character will be different. There might be areas where you are alike, but not in all things.

Relationship requires adjustments and in some cases elimination of certain desires, habits, attitudes or mentalities and character. You can't succeed without making changes.

ORGANIZED LIFE

Many live unorganized life. Our God is a meticulous God. He is organized. He is neat and loves cleanliness. That is why God commanded the Jews in the Old Testament to wash certain parts of their body before praying and eating. He also demanded washing and cleaning up of themselves and their clothes when they touch a dead body, wet themselves through a discharge and after passing a stool. A study of the statutes and ordinances of God will show you that our God is organized.

Many today are not organized in many areas of their lives. It is important that you examine yourself and go to work on yourself right away. Take a look at your house, room, wardrobe, locker, your toilet, and kitchen. You will discover how organized you are. You can imagine a young lady who wants to get married and is desperately praying for a husband, and yet cannot keep her apartment clean and organized. Picture in your mind how her marriage will look like. How will their house look like when you walk in? Assuming she marries an organized husband, who hates to see his apartment in disarray, what do you think will happen often in their house? Off cause, they will have quarrels.

Charity they say begins at home. Now that you are not married, you need to go to work on yourself. Everybody loves a neat and organized environment, though not all can maintain one. Learn to wash the bed sheets, towels, toilets, dishes, clothes, underwear, scrub the floor when due. Keep the house organized and neat. If you form the habit now, your home will be a place to be. Your partner will always want to be at home, because the atmosphere is conducive. There are certain men who run from their home because the house stinks. There are certain men who make housekeeping burdensome for their wives, because they are always disorganizing and littering the house with things. Both the man and the woman must join hands together to make the home beautiful. Everybody loves a beautiful place. Work towards making your home beautiful.

Some people are so disorganized that every day they are looking for something. They never have a particular place for a particular thing. They will search for wristwatch, finger rings, necklace, and earrings that they use every day. They will search for underwear, matches, and some unimaginable things that one will never think that they will think twice before they know where they are. You must be so organized that even in the dark you will know your way around to the definite places where you kept some definite items. Even in your handbags, tables, lockers, wardrobes, etcetera, you need to have specific positions for specific things. It makes life easy. It grants speed and eliminates the frustrations that come through frantic search.

Time management is another important aspect of organized life. Every single must learn that time is money and that it does not wait for anybody. Be a timekeeper. Learn to keep appointments. Never keep your loved one waiting. If for any reason you can't meet up, give a telephone call were available, and apologize when you meet. Don't be known for failing to keep appointments. Respect time and it will reward you. Don't be a time waster. Don't be a talkative. Talkatives are time wasters. Only say what is necessary. When you are through, excuse yourself. Use time. Don't waste it. Always remember there is a time for everything. Don't mismanage time. Always be conscious of what the time is saying. Always be on the move.

The successful management of your time is the successful management of your life. Time for work should not be used for play, and time for play should not be used for work. Be organized! Be disciplined!

CONCLUSION

Prepare for tomorrow now. Make corrections and changes today against tomorrow. An organized life makes room for a sweet relationship. It will strengthen your love and trust in one another. When you respect your partner's time by keeping appointments and not wasting and killing time each time you meet, it will build trust and confidence in one another. A clean environment is always a sweet place for relaxation any day any time. Never forget that. Everyone loves a clean, neat, tidy, and organized person. Make yourself one.