

# VALUE PEOPLE

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It is very clear that God designed man to be dependent on each other. We were made to somehow and somewhere need each other's help. Everyone has great potentials and limitations also. What is lacking in you is in another. What is lacking in another is in you. God made it this way so we will need each other. No one person has it all or knows it all. You need people in your life to succeed. You need a teacher to teach you as a student. You need someone to buy from or to sell to. As a medical doctor, you need people to treat and cure. As a lawyer, you need clients. In all profession, you need people and you always relate with people. You can never succeed without people, so you need to train yourself to treat people nicely. Love people, care for people, help people, and treasure people no matter the weaknesses in their lives. Learn to nurture and maintain relationships.

*1 Cor 13:12*

*12 Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.*

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*Eccl 4:9-12*

*9 Two are better than one,  
because they have a good return for their work:*

*10 If one falls down,  
his friend can help him up.*

*But pity the man who falls  
and has no one to help him up!*

*11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.*

*But how can one keep warm alone?*

*12 Though one may be overpowered,  
two can defend themselves.*

*A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.*

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*Gen 2:18*

*18 The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."*

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- Aloneness creates vulnerability.
- People help you to stand and resist all that rise against you.
- God will never give you someone that will replace his presence in your life - He wants to remain number one in your life.

## WORDS OF WISDOM

1. Mentorship is the master key to extraordinary success – You need a mentor in your life.

2. Treat people right, you may meet them somewhere where you will need them to give you a helping hand.
3. A kind gesture can open a million Naira (Dollar) door for you.
4. Meeting people is exciting, maintaining a relationship is hard work and rewarding.
5. Stop pre-judging people. Your first impression is always limited. Time will reveal the personality with whom you have been dealing with. Give every relationship time.
6. The proof of true love is the investment of time. Invest time in the life of people God brings into your life.
7. Nobody is ever as they first appear. Until you get close to people without a bias mind, you will never get to know who they really are.
8. Only fools make permanent decisions about a person without adequate knowledge which comes with an investment of time.
9. There are two kinds of people: Dream killers and Dream fertilizers. Positive and negative people. Those who add and those who subtract from you. The right company are the people who will help you get to your dream.
10. Your rewards in life are determined by the problems you solve for others.
11. It takes connection to people to succeed in life and in any field of endeavour. The right people in your life will bring you to your dreams and make the right things happen in your life as at when due.
12. When God wants to bless a man, He sends or connects you to someone. When the devil wants to ruin a man, he sends someone also. Both use the instrumentality of humans.
13. When God wants to give us a harvest or reward for our giving, he doesn't give cash in most cases, but ideas and a connection to someone, that if we nourish the relationship, it will bring a flow of money and good things.
14. Your assignment is always to a person or a people.
15. Each relationship nurtures strength or a weakness within you.
16. You have something others need, and someone has what you need. You need relationships.
17. Reward those who help you succeed.
18. You can only relate with a person based on the value you place on him and your relationship with him.

### **PROTECT RELATIONSHIPS THAT SHOWS FAVOUR**

1. You need God and you need people in your life.
2. You were not designed by God to survive or succeed alone. The earlier you recognize this, the better for you.
3. Everything you have come from God working through people. Success is a collection of relationships. Without Clients, a Lawyer has no career. Without patients, a doctor has no one to cure. Without a writer, a publisher has no business. Without customers, a trader will make no sales.
4. Your future is connected to people. So develop relationship skills.
5. You need problem-solvers in your life. As you invest into people, people invest into you.
6. You need a family. You need a Pastor to minister to your spiritual needs. You need a doctor for health needs. You need a lawyer for legal matters. You need people who impact your life one way or the other. Treat these people as your family.

7. What is missing in you is in another.
8. Favour will usually come through someone observing you and who is capable of greatly blessing you. It could be your parents, your boss or your neighbours. It could even be someone you never knew before.
9. Favour is any seed anyone can sow into the life of another. It does not require money, or genius or skill. It requires love, attentiveness and time.
10. Favour should be pursued, requested and celebrated. Abraham's servant in search of a wife for Isaac succeeded because he asked for favour from God. God is the source of favour. He responds to faith and pursuit. Within hours, Rebecca was en-route to Isaac because of the favour of God.
11. Everyone appreciated wants to do more. Everyone appreciated wants to continue the relationship with the appreciator.
  - Learn to appreciate people for the input they make in your life from time to time.
  - A thank you letter, card, sms, or call can do a lot to strengthen your relationship without someone.
  - Give thank you tips and financial rewards when and where necessary.
12. Look beyond the individual weaknesses and relate within the limits of God's word.
13. Hold unto the relationship as much as it lies within your power.
 

God's instrument of favour may be:

  - Nameless, powerless, unimportant or insignificant.
  - Opposed to a close relationship.
  - Difficult and irritating.
  - Require you to do something uncomfortable and difficult you have not done before.
  - Completely the opposite of you.
  - May seem a little proud or arrogant.
  - May seem uninterested in you at first, and incapable of offering the kind of help you need presently or may need in future.
14. Any relationship that shows favour that is not respected, will exit your life. Cherish relationships. It pays to do that. Build relationships to reap the maximum benefit intended by God who linked you together.
15. Learn to overlook offences and forgive when offended to keep friendships with people no matter what they do.
16. Never relate for only what you may gain today, for tomorrow is pregnant and holds so much, even for you.

## **SUCCESS TIT-BITS**

1. **Shifting blames is an escapist method. It does not achieve anything. It is only self-deceit.**
2. **Problems remain when you don't own up to your faults.**
3. **Greed leads to too many troubles. Kill it before it will kill you and everything you ever lived for.**

4. When giving becomes your lifestyle, receiving becomes your life experience.
5. Giving to a Christian is giving to Christ.
6. Giving to a man of God is giving to the one who sent him.
7. Success is not by chance but by choice.
8. Hard work gives birth to success.
9. God is not a Lazy God. He works daily. He neither sleeps nor slumbers.
10. Service is a means to greatness.
11. Your ability to work without offending your customer, employer or master will determine your success and promotion.
12. “Lazy hands makes a man poor, but diligent hands brings wealth” (Prov. 10: 4).
13. “All hard work brings a profit but mere talk leads only to poverty” (Prov. 14:23).
14. “...If a man will not work, he shall not eat” (2 Thess. 3:10).
15. Expose what you are doing. Advertise your goods and services according to your financial capability.
16. There is a difference in creating wealth and just doing business. Work creatively to create wealth.
17. Learn to be yourself and you will not struggle to be what God wants you to be.

## **WISDOM FOR ASSOCIATION**

1. You must know yourself, to know who to relate with.
2. Keep away from the Jezebels who seek to overshadow you and run your life.
3. Samson’s undoing was his unholy alliance with Delilah. Do not throw away your inheritance and life in the name of relationship.
4. Go where you will be honoured and not where you will be tolerated.
5. Where do people place your friends and associates? Where they place them is where they place you. What they call them is what they will call you.
6. Do not hesitate to break a relationship that is not supposed to be in the first place, or the negative impact is more than the benefits.
7. “I like being alone because I don’t want to be hurt” is a statement that reveals immaturity.
8. Your associates impart you for good or for bad.
9. Never keep company with anyone who does not fear God.
10. Never marry anyone who is comfortable with sin.
11. Never marry anyone you will not be proud of.
12. Never marry anyone that does not inspire you.
13. Outward beauty is deceptive, but inner beauty is far more precious than pearls.

- 14 **God does not relate with a man except on the basis of a covenant. Enter into covenant with God today through faith in Jesus Christ the Saviour.**

## **RENEWING THE MIND**

1. **Your thoughts create your feelings, determine your decisions, motivate your actions, reactions and responses to what is said and done to you or around you.**
2. **Many are so used to worrying that they cannot think of themselves living a single day without worrying. Some worry to the point that they don't regard themselves as people who worry. For such, worrying is nothing but normal life, so they never see it as something strange that one needs to take note of. To allow worry to become part and parcel of you is to sign your death warrant without knowing it.**
3. **Creative and resourceful thinking is the right use of the mind, and it does not oppress the mind and the body.**
4. **Worrying never solves any problem or gets anything done. In fact, it obstructs God from performing and doing for us what we pray to him daily to do for us.**
5. **Worry is a hindrance and not a helper in resolving problems and moving mountains.**
6. **Never worry about what you don't know or can't see.**
7. **When a man worries, he becomes mentally oppressed, as a result he becomes discouraged and without faith and hope. Man needs faith to live successfully with God and man. God will always back a man who is full of faith in Him. Faith motivates while worry discourages. And no one needs discouragement to make it in life.**
8. **Praying to God instead of worrying about a situation is better. Talking to the one who can help you is better than troubling yourself about a challenge.**
9. **Sing and make music in your heart rather than worry when negative thoughts seem to pour into your mind.**
10. **Fill your mind with the word of God and meditate on it always especially when faced with a difficult situation.**