THE ONLY TECHNIQUE THAT WORKS

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As Jesus revealed the structure of the New Testament, it became clear that it would only work if its basic principles were practiced and maintained. This is the offer that God has made to the world. Salvation is only possible through participating in the sacrifices that Christ suffered for us. The need to repent, be baptized and pray and receive the Holy Spirit, with God's chosen evidence of speaking in tongues... is essential. The following points of spiritual order, amplify the basic acts of faith Christians need to understand and apply.

What God wants from us. Once we are saved, it is expected we will join those who preach and exercise spiritual truths. ACT 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. This is a very clear direction for the members of the church to understand... no options offered here.

God offers a far better life than we can ever achieve... both spiritually and naturally. MAR 10:29 And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man (no exceptions) that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, 30 But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life. This is the best offer ever, but it requires sacrifices and spiritual obedience (Likewise, all forms of success require disciplines, anyway).

Further confirmation of the superior benefits for obeying God. MAT 6:32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. 33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and (then) all these things shall be added unto you. Anything less is to deprive yourself of God's blessing. This is much more than material gain, this is also about the effectiveness of your prayers, the safety of family member, the future of your children, the church, etc. Should we choose to neglect these vital scriptural techniques, then we will work a lot harder for a lot less reward. God has made promises and he will not change his mind... we should dedicate ourselves to these simple acts.

This is one of the most essential practices for overall success, HEB 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. This is God's command; his expectation for all spirit filled people... both young and old. Men need to lead and set the example for their family and peers. Women equally need to lead to set the example for other members and the children of the church. Your attendance and deeds are worth more than a thousand of your words. Sadly, many of us can be let down by our peers, which in turn can influence other friends and family members... new people etc. It is vital that we minimise any barriers between ourselves and our Godly service. Jesus offered a simple solution for people who struggled to meet these basic spiritual obligations... sell everything you have and start again. This is only a hard saying, if this world dominates us.

Nothing can stop us. 1COR 10:13 There hath no **temptation** taken you but such as is common to man: but God *is* faithful, who will not **suffer you** to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*. God has promised to help you overcome every difficulty.

Forgiveness is vital. MAT 6:15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. Grudges or unresolved anger will destroy you, unless you treat others as God treats you.

Some motivating scriptures on the above theme... JOH 4:35 Say not ye, There are yet four months, and *then* cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, **Lift up your eyes**, and look on the **fields**; for they are **white** already to harvest. **LUK 10:2** Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly *is* great, but the **labourers** *are* **few**: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth **labourers** into his harvest. *God needs your help*.

HEB 10:36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. **37** For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. **38** Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. **39** But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul. *Maturity takes patience*.

ROM 13:11 And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. Use God's technique and you will remain spiritually awake and receptive to blessings and the true joy of the Lord... anything less will minimise many natural and spiritual blessings that are yours to take... this is much more than blessings; lives are at stake.