

Sunday Jan 06, 2013

Please take about 10 minutes to review the key points of the WoL 2013. You can use the Divine Favor publication. Please also request ushers to distribute the Divine Favor publication to those who missed the NY eve service and did not receive a copy, along with the book mark and magnet (magnet one per family please).

Word of the Lord for 2013 2013 : A Year of Divine Favor Expect unusual favor. God will do the opposite of what people expect to happen to you.

Today's Message : Focus – Key for Breakthrough

Ecclesiastes 10:10 If the ax is dull, And one does not sharpen the edge, Then he must use more strength; But wisdom brings success.

Focus = By focus we mean to concentrate your attention or energy on something. To make something the center of interest or activity.

Focus essentially gives us the "sharp edge" we need to breakthrough.

We need focus, especially when wanting to break old habits and develop new ones.

Many times, without focus, we are like a blunt ax head, and we keep expending our energies but not seeing much result.

Focus does not mean you only do one thing in life - because you cannot do that. It means that you identify specific targets for specific areas of life and go after them.

You engage with 'laser sharp focus' on that one specific goal in that area of life.

useful illustration: sun light that disperses everywhere, and what happens when a magnifying glass focuses those rays on paper.

FOCUS = PRIORITIZATION + CONCENTRATION

Distractions dissipate our time, energy and often other resources as well.

"The only reason men fail is because of broken focus" – Mike Murdock

Double-mindedness, lack of single-minded focus, brings instability. James 1:8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Great goals are SMART :Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, and Time-bound. For each area of your life:



- Set a specific goal.
- Determine how you will go about reaching it and measure progress towards it.
- Set a time frame for progress steps.

(Please feel free to give some specific examples/illustrations here)

Focus on something, then go after it.

For us as a church body, this year, we will have 3 seasons of specific focus in our spiritual journey. Each season will last 3-4 months. During each season, we will focus our attention to a specific theme so that we can all grow in that area.

The first season is a focus on DISCIPLESHIP, where we will focus on learning how to be a disciple and how to make disciples.

The second season will be a focus on HEALING, where we will focus on learning how to receive and minister divine healing.

The third season will be a focus on the person and work of the HOLY SPIRIT, where we will learn how to yield more fully to the Spirit of God in our lives.

Final Word :

Overall, for all of us, our FOCUS IS JESUS.

Hebrews 12:2 looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith,...

Jesus Christ, He is our Focus. He is our Model. He is our Standard. He is our Pattern.

Please pronounce the 2013 Benediction (Adapted from Numbers 6:24-26)

"The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you, (The LORD release unusual favor on you) And be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace."

Sermon Notes





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