

DIVING DEEPER

- How do your goals reveal how much you trust God to do big things in your life?
- When have you seen God grow your character as you pursued a goal?
- In what area of your life do you need hope today?

NOTES

Bible Baptist Church BIBLE STUDY

**BUILDING MY CHARACTER
THROUGH COMMITMENT (WEEK 1)
THREE SPIRITUAL HABITS
1 TIMOTHY 4:7**



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GOD SPEAKS

THREE LIFE-CHANGING HABITS

1. GET _____ WITH GOD EVERY DAY.

"Quiet Time" for Bible reading and prayer.

The Reason:

"Show me the path where I should go, O Lord; point out the right road for me to walk. Lead me..." **Psalm 23:4**

The Routine:

"Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed." **Luke 5:16**

The Result:

(Jesus) "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, then may you ask for anything you wish, and you shall have it!" **John 15:7**

2. GIVE A _____ TO GOD EVERY WEEK.

"Tithing" - giving the first 10% of my income back to God.

The Reason:

"Where your treasure is, there your heart is also." **Matthew 6:21**

"The purpose of tithing is to teach you to always put God first in your life." **Deuteronomy 14:23**

The Routine:

"On the first day of every week, put aside some of what you have earned and give it as an offering. The amount depends on how much the Lord has helped you earn." **1 Corinthians 16:2**

The Result:

"Bring your whole tithe into my storehouse. Test me in this, says the Lord, and see if I won't throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you won't have enough room for it!" **Malachi 3:10**

3. GET _____ WITH BELIEVERS REGULARLY.

"Fellowship" -- with others in a small group.

The Reason:

"Let us not give up the habit of meeting together...Instead, let us encourage each other..." **Hebrews 10:25**

The Routine:

"(They met) day after day, in the Temple courts and from house to house." **Acts 5:42**

The Result:

"Two are better off than one, because together they are more effective. If one falls down, the other can help him up." **Ecclesiastes 4:9-10**

A GROWTH COVENANT

"...We are making a binding agreement, putting it in writing, and our spiritual leaders are affixing their seals to it." **Nehemiah 9:39**

GOD INVITES

Would you, in your heart, pray "Father, You know my life is so busy. But it is my desire to become spiritually fit. I want to be a more effective Christian. I want to commit myself to these three basic habits that You've established for me. First, help me get time with You every day. I want to spend some time every day reading Your word and talking with You in prayer. And I want to give a tithe to You every week. I want You to be first in my finances and I'm trusting You to meet all my needs. Beginning today the first 10% of all You help me make is going to go back to You and You'll be able to make the other go further than before. Lord, help me to find a small group that I can become a part of. I realize I need a team of other believers where I can receive support and encouragement and give it, too. I don't want to be a Lone Ranger Christian. I know there's going to be times when I slip with this commitment. But I know You love me and You can give me the power to do what's right. So I want to make this Growth Covenant today. In Jesus' name. Amen."