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# **Principles of Ministry**

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What is Ministry? Ministry is not a dream nor a trans, it is not a church title or a leadership position held, ministry is not an association

- It is a divine assignment handed down to man from God.

(Everybody born on this earth came with a ministry in hand your assignment is your ministry. Hence it is importance to us to understand that a successful ..... is not measured by your popularity or your level in life but it is measured by the assignment God has given you how successful you are in it. whatever purpose God created you here on earth is your ministry.)

Jer 29:7

Ministry is the placement of a man by God. to fulfill the plan of God for him on the earth

**Books to read:**

1. Towards Excellence in life and ministry - Dr David Oyedepo
2. Experience in ministry - Dr David Oyedepo
3. Understanding Divine Direction - Dr David Oyedepo
4. Understand Vision - Dr David Oyedepo
5. Seven steps to excellence in ministry - Kenneth Copeland
6. Practical suggestion for successful ministry - Dr Fred K.C Price
7. How to be lead by the Spirit of God - Kenneth E Haggin

## **A Call to Ministry**

Rom1:1

When God bring you on earth you have gotten a ministry and when you discover it you have gotten a vision

How to know your calling

1. Direct voice of God.
2. By calling on God. Jer 33:3 1cro 4:7
3. By Vision Act 22:17-21
4. Through the holy ghost guidance John16:13
5. Through the word of God

- Rom 8:28

Excellence in Ministry

the foundation of every ministry is righteousness Isa 52 psalm 11:8

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7\_|\_\_\_\_\_| Relationship

6\_|\_\_\_\_\_| Focus & zeal

5\_|\_\_\_\_\_| Discipline

4\_|\_\_\_\_\_| Diligence

3\_|\_\_\_\_\_| Wisdom

2\_|\_\_\_\_\_| Faith 1 thes 5:24 Luke1:45

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### 1. Vision

- What: this talks about you assignment
- The Where: this talks about location - Jonah 1:1-6
- The When: this talks about the time - Ecc 3:1 Habakuk 2:3
- The How: this talks about the approach -

2. Faith: This is absolute confidence in God and what He has said concerning you.

### 3. Wisdom:

- This is a profitable sensible and laudable ways of handling an event.
- Wisdom is understanding the know hows of an event

- How can I get wisdom
  - Ask God - James 1:5
  - Reading and studying the word of God - 2 tim 3:15
  - By reading books and materials from people of life vision Dan 9:2

#### 4. Diligence:

- this is hard working Psalm 34:5 Prov 22:29 Ecc 10:18 2 thes 3:10

#### 5. Discipline:

- Another word for this is self control we have 2 types of discipline
  - External discipline: this is the discipline someone gave you by dealing with you
  - Internal discipline: this is the discipline you gave yourself either someone is watching you or not - Ecc 10:16-17
- Areas you can discipline your self
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6. Focus and Zeal:

whatever assignment you have been given please stay there Matt 6:22 1 king 20:39-42

Zeal is the driving force that propels one towards accomplishment in life. it is zeal that wash off distraction John2:17 Phil1:21

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## 7. Relationship:

Ecc 4:9-10 it is possible to get results when you don't relate but when you relate you will get better reward

what is relationship?

relationship is contact and interaction between people, Relationship must be selective and spiritually discern

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  - Restoration
  - Motivation
  - strength
- Wrong relationship examples (-1 cor 15:33)
  - Abraham and Lot
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