

Finishing Well: the Place of Physicians

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I. Introduction.

A. There is a kind of person that finishes well.

B. We look for the man of F.A.I.T.H.—faithful, available, interdependent, teachable and holy.

II. Faithful. (I Corinthians 4:2)

A. This is a loyal and reliable man. (Luke 16:12)

B. We must be faithful in the Word of God, prayer, fellowship and evangelism.

III. Available. (II Timothy 2:3-4)

A. Men are entangled in things besides sin.

B. Men need to prune in order to be available. (John 15)

IV. Interdependent.

A. This refers to a level of emotional stability. (I Corinthians 12:18)

B. Avoid two extremes: dependents and independents.

C. This person has a healthy relationship in the body of Christ. (Philippians 2, I John 1:1)

V. Teachable. (Acts 18:24-28)

A. Everything needs to be tested by the Word of God.

B. Intellect needs to be stretched.

VI. Committed to holiness. (II Corinthians 7:1)

A. We need to deal with both filthiness of the flesh and filthiness of the spirit.

B. If we do not deal with sin, we will die.

C. God has done everything in His power to eradicate the disease of sin.

Application questions:

1. Why is it important to have some criteria for selecting men?

2. Which criterion do you think is the most important? Explain.

3. Which area would you like to work on the most? How can you go about doing this practically? Explain.
