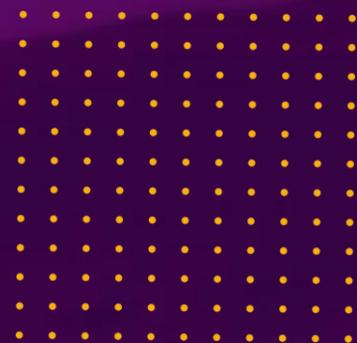


LEADERSHIP PRACTICES

FOR DEEPENING INTIMACY WITH GOD



SELECTED VERSE





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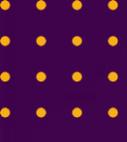
in one of his earlier books:



*If you're a **troubled person**
contributing to a **troubled family**,
resulting in a **troubled church**,
causing a **troubled neighborhood**
that resides in a **troubled city**,
that's contributing to a **troubled province**,
that's part of a **troubled region**,
that's part of a **troubled country**,
and your country is part of the world,
well, now your troubled country makes its
contribution to a **troubled world**..*

So, if you want a **better world** composed of **better countries** inhabited by **better regions** that are composed of **better provinces**, made up of **better cities** that are composed of **better neighborhoods/communities**, that are illuminated by **better churches** because they're made up of **better families**, you see

IT STARTS WITH A BETTER MAN.



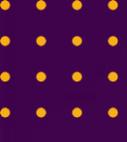
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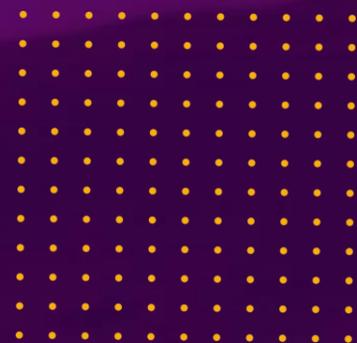
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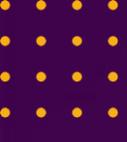
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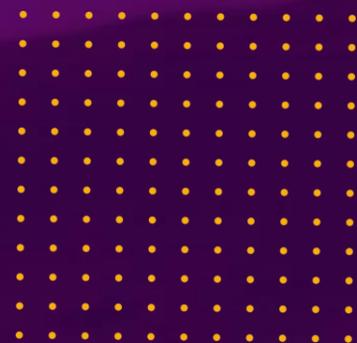
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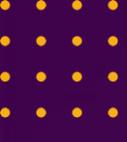




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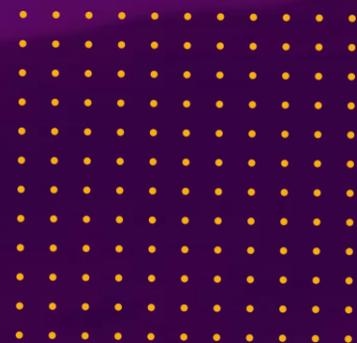
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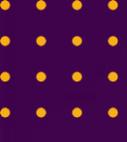




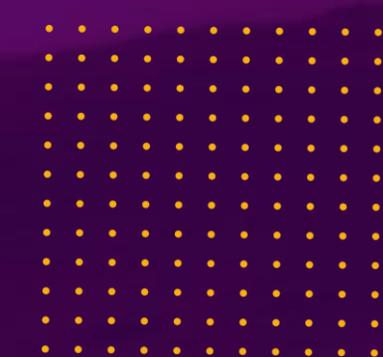
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*“A lack of intimacy with Jesus
will inevitably lead to a lack of
evangelism in the church.”*

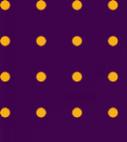




**80% of Christians do not
consistently witness for Christ;**

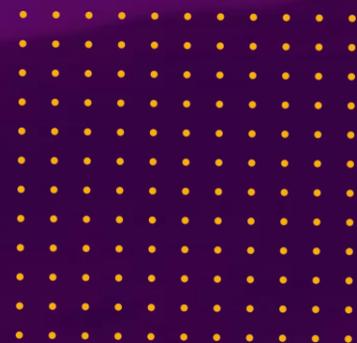
**95% have never won
someone to Jesus.**

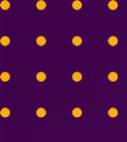




*“We’ve strayed from being fishers
of men to being keepers of the
aquarium.”*

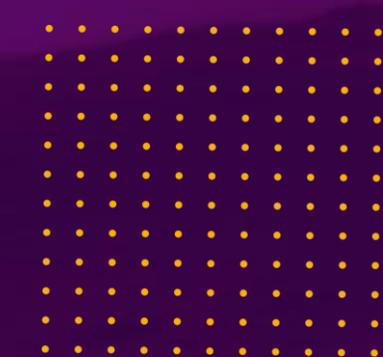
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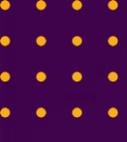




“The first work of the whole church is to give the gospel to the whole world.”

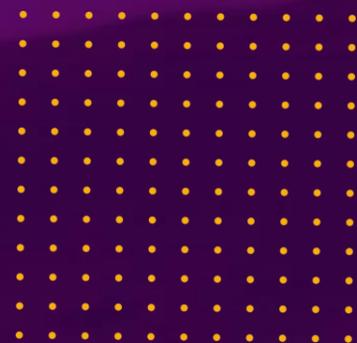
OSWALD J. SMITH





“If a commission by an earthly king is considered an honor, how can a commission by a Heavenly King be considered a sacrifice?”

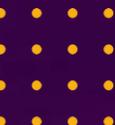
DAVID LIVINGSTONE



You, God, are my God,
earnestly I seek you;
I thirst for you,
my whole being longs for you,
in a dry and parched land
where there is no water.

PSALM 63:1 NIV

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION



I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your glory.

**3 Because your love is better than life,
my lips will glorify you.**

**4 I will praise you as long as I live,
and in your name I will lift up my hands.**

PSALM 63:2-4 NIV

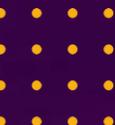
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I will be fully satisfied as with the
richest of foods;
with singing lips my mouth will
praise you.

PSALM 63:5 NIV

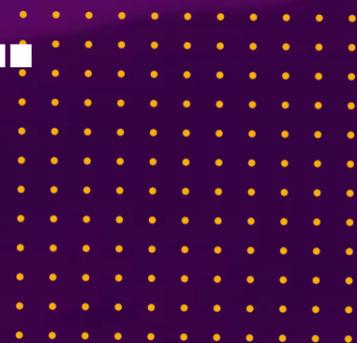
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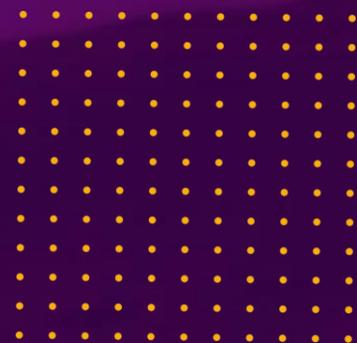


**GOD LOVES YOU AND ME AS
MUCH AS HE LOVES THE GREAT
SAINTS OF THE PAST...**

MOSES, ABRAHAM, DAVID, ISAIAH...



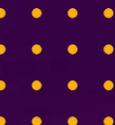
**GOD LOVES YOU AND ME
AS MUCH AS HE LOVES HIS SON.**

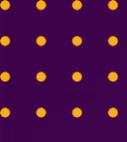


I am in them and you are in me. May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that you sent me and that **you love them as much as you love me.**

JOHN 17:23 NLT

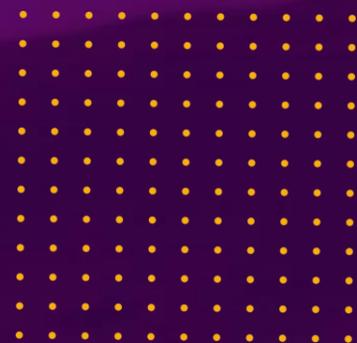
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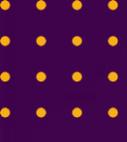




*God loves each of us as if
there were only one of us.*

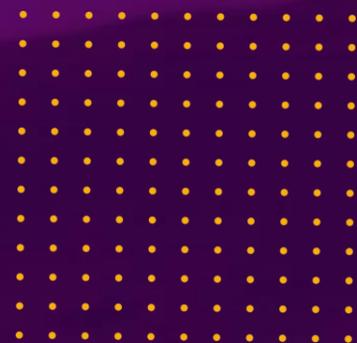
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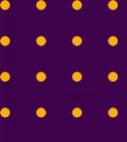




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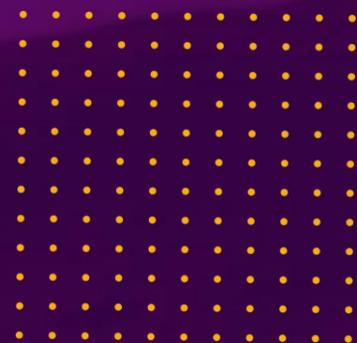
Can shorten our life

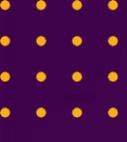




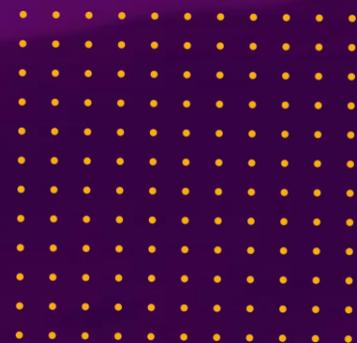
“The overall mortality increase that can be related to social disconnection is comparable to the mortality impact of smoking and obesity.”

DR. VIVEK MURTHY





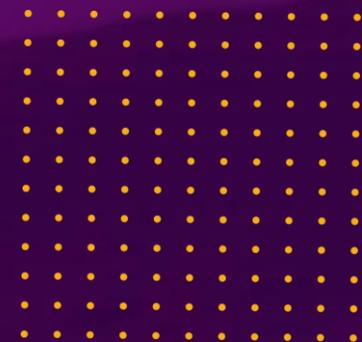
HOW DO WE DEVELOP THAT **INTIMACY** WITH THE LORD?



HOW DO WE DEVELOP THAT **INTIMACY** WITH THE LORD?

**BY GREATER
COMMITMENT
TO THE WORD.**

1.



Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go.

JOSHUA 1:7 ESV

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION



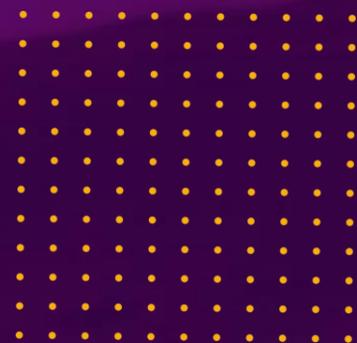
This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

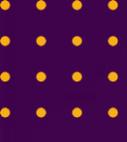
JOSHUA 1:8 ESV

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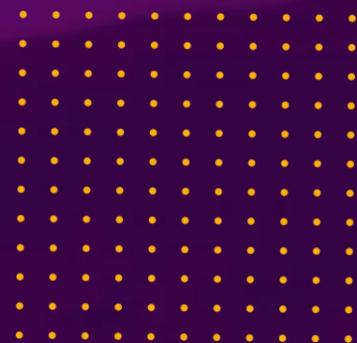
- **No bible no breakfast**
- **No bible no cell phone**
- **No appointment before 10 am**
- **Journaling**





*“When obedience is in the ascendant,
He will tax the remotest star and the
last grain of sand to assist you with all
His Almighty power.”*

OSWALD CHAMBERS



HOW DO WE DEVELOP THAT **INTIMACY** WITH THE LORD?

2.

**BY DEEPER
CONNECTION
THROUGH PRAYER.**



**LEADERS WILL TELL YOU THAT THEY FOLLOW A PATTERN -
PLACE, TIME... BOOK, WORSHIP SONGS**

John Maxwell - Partners in Prayer

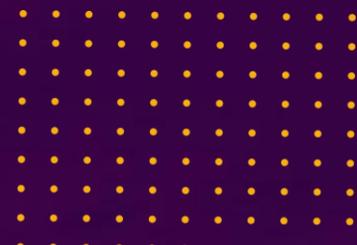
Wayne Cordero

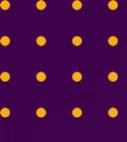
Jim Denison

Warren Wiersbe - Blessing Breaks

Fasting - Nehemiah 1:4

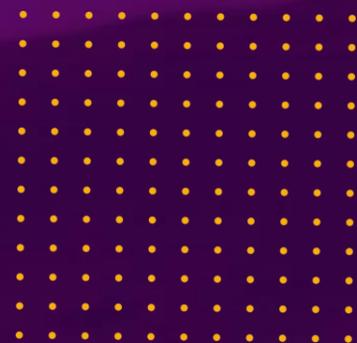
One day retreat





*“Attempt something so great for
God it's doomed to failure
unless God be in it.”*

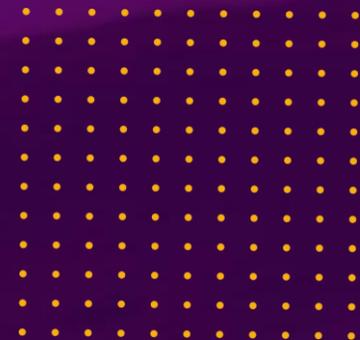
JOHN HAGGAI



HOW DO WE DEVELOP THAT **INTIMACY** WITH THE LORD?

**BY DEEPER
CONFESSION
OF SINS.**

3.



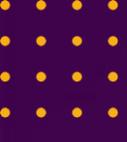
Search me, God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious
thoughts.

²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in
me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

PSALM 139:23-24 NIV

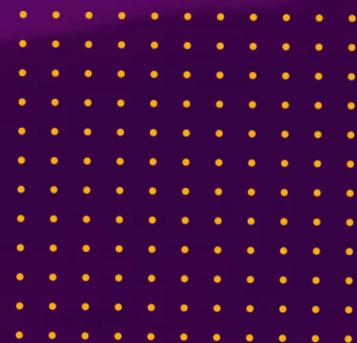
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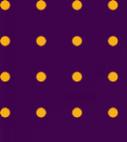




*“If the Lord is not the center
of our life someone else is...”*

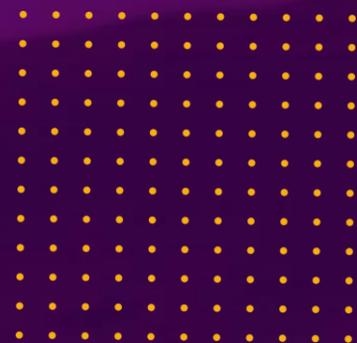
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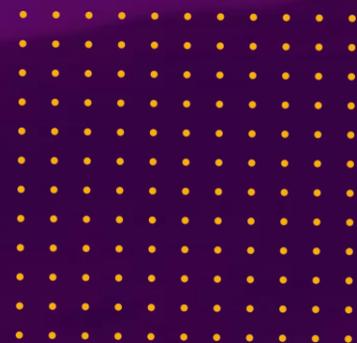


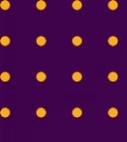
*“God’s ultimate purpose is that
his Son might be manifested in
my mortal flesh.”*

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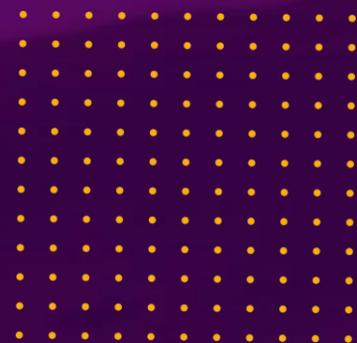


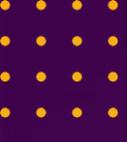
**IF EVEN A FEW CHRISTIANS TRULY
MANIFESTED CHRIST IN OUR WORLD,
HOW COULD OUR WORLD REMAIN
THE SAME?**





1. Surrender every part of your life to Jesus

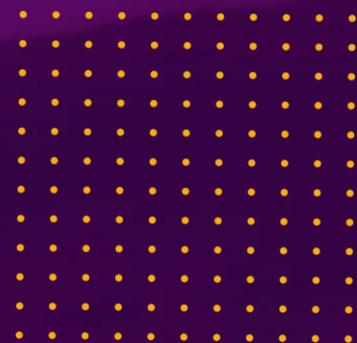


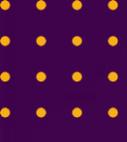


*“My heart an Altar
thy love the flame.”*

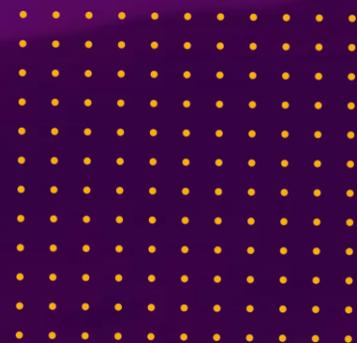


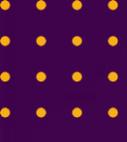
George Croly





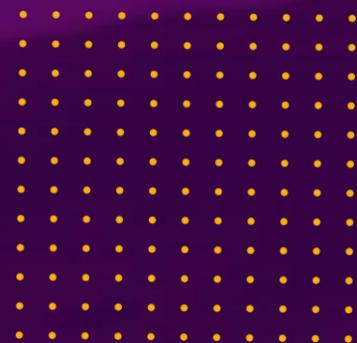
2. Surrender daily to the guidance and enablement of the Spirit

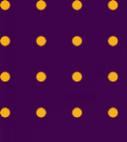




*“The Holy Spirit is the one who
makes real in you all that Jesus
did for you.”*

OSWALD CHAMBERS





It is time for the bride of Christ
to end its affair with the world.
It is time for us to let God love
us and in response live for
Him alone.

