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building the disciplines of faithful leaders

April 8, 2017

Name: _____

build homework

DUE: April 22, 2017

Before you begin your homework, take some time to pray and direct your heart and mind towards God and His Word. Ask God for help in submitting your life and thoughts to His word that you might draw near to Him in this time. Ask Him to increase your desire to know and love and obey Him.

LOOKING BACK...

Look back at your notes from April 8 (D1 - The Discipline of Shepherding My Heart) and remind yourself of the two responses a Christian can have when their good desires go unmet. What stands out to you from that lesson?

LOOKING DAY BY DAY...

In the days since our last BUILD meeting on has the Lord brought any events to you in which your expectations were not met? How did you shepherd your heart in response to those events? What are you encouraged by? Do you see areas of thinking that you may want to change?

LOOKING AHEAD...

As the BUILD year begins to wind down, be thinking about the strategy you will use to continue to meet faithfully with the Lord over His word. What should be your baseline motivation for maintaining a consistent devotional life?

D1: The Heart. Please refer to the worksheet from April 8, 2017. Listen to the audio if you missed the class.

Q1. Why do we tend to run after comfort and pleasure when we are disappointed?

Q2. Prayerfully read through the following verses from Scripture. Write out what God promises to believers

- Matthew 28:20
- Romans 8:28
- Romans 8:38-39
- 1 Corinthians 10:13
- 2 Peter 1:2,3

Q3. W 2Tim 3:4 warns that in the last days men will be lovers of pleasure. When you have an unmet desire, do you seek to find comfort in something that can lead to sin and unbelief in what God has promised Christians? How can you use the verses above to help you think properly about your desires?

Q4. Take some time to read Proverbs 16:1,2 and 9. What do these verses tell us that steers us away from disappointment, discouragement and despair?

Q5. Do you regularly remind yourself that you deserve to be on the receiving end of God's avenging wrath against you? How does this truth help you to respond well to unmet expectations?

Q6. What was the main takeaway from this lesson for you?