

Winning Powers of Two

Introduction

The bible talks about the basic multiplication of 2, in the parable of the talent. The concept of multiplication of 2 seems to be trivial for many but if we apply that to evangelism, know that it will yield a significant increase with time. For instance, if only 1 believer can win 1 soul per year consistently, in 10 years the number of souls saved will be about 1000, in 20 years will be about 1 million, in 30 years will be about 1 billion which is close to winning the whole world. Can you imagine the winning powers of 2?

<u>N Person</u>	<u>(Nx2)</u>	<u>Years</u>
1	2	1
2	4	2
4	8	3
8	16	4
16	32	5
:	:	:
512	1024	10
:	:	:
524,288	1,048,576	20
:	:	:
536,870,912	1,073,741,824	30

Discussion

Key verse: Matthew 25:14-16, Acts 2:42-47

Keys to achieve the winning powers of 2

1. Commitment

Make soul winning a habit, a lifestyle of glorious living. It is not difficult but it will take commitment to do that, without commitment we hardly see great achievements. Especially, amidst of busyness, programs and activities, juggling with family and works, enduring trials & problems that we are facing, economic crisis, which sometimes distract us from our calling to win souls. Nevertheless, if every believer would commit to win souls, more and more people will be saved in greater numbers beyond our imagination.

2. Consistent

Commitment itself is not enough; we need to add consistency on top of commitment to be effective. Consistency is essential in order for us to achieve our target. It is important to be consistent, if a drop of water would drip on a stone consistently for a period of time, it will create a hole in the stone eventually. Likewise, no matter how hard the challenges that we are facing, if we continue to persevere consistently, we will overcome it in the end. Thus, consistency is the element of breakthrough in winning souls.

3. Connection

We need to be connected to the souls either directly or indirectly, like forming a huge human net as the number of believers increases. Without being connected, the new believers will feel out of place, disconnected, and even lost. Communication is a good form of connection, engaging with them and caring for them consistently will help them grow and feel at home. Being relevant is also an effective way of connecting with them. It is important to convey

messages that are relevant to their lives such as the benefit of the words of God in their lives, how the words of God helps them overcome challenges in their lives and how Jesus can change their lives. These later will enable them to relate their faith to other unbelievers too.

4. Collaboration

Apostle Paul mentioned in 1 Corinthian 3:6, "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase." Winning souls are not one person's effort but the collaboration effort of the body of Christ. Some people might be planting the seeds of the gospel to the life of unbelievers the other might be watering the seeds, showering it with prayers, giving words of encouragement, it will take sometimes for the seeds to take root in faith and grow in their lives. Patience and compassion play an important role in winning souls, we cannot expect people to accept our faith right way. It takes time for people of different background, upbringing, culture, religions to digest the gospel. Give room for the Holy Spirit to work in their lives and bring conviction to their lives.

Sharing:

- What are the challenges of winning souls nowadays?
- What are the things that sometimes distract us from our calling to win souls?
- How to be relevant in conveying the gospel to the unbelievers?

Conclusion

Just like in the book of Acts 2:47, when believers gather together consistently, worshipping God together and connecting with one another in fellowships at their homes, receiving their spiritual food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. Then, the Lord will add to their number those who were being saved and He will bestow a crown of rejoicing to those who are faithful in winning souls to Christ.