

“Spiritual Mentoring”

Fall 2017 Pastor’s Forum, Matthews OPC

Introduction

I. Profiles of Those Needy for Spiritual Mentoring

1. Dan:

2. Sarah:

3. Travis:

4. Beth:

5. Jared:

6. Lisa:

II. The Advantages of “One-to-One Ministry”

1. One-to-one ministry is tailored to the need.

2. One-to-one ministry allows for personal imitation.

3. One-to-one ministry accommodates insecurity.

4. One-to-one ministry maximizes personal engagement.

5. One-to-one ministry builds a relationship of love in which truth can be spoken.

III. The Variety of One-To-One Ministries

1. One-to-one ministries can vary from word to deed ministry.

2. One-to-one ministries can vary in levels of intentionality:

- a) Intentional friendships (1 Thess. 5:11; Rom. 12:5)
- b) Accountability relationships (James 5:16; Heb. 3:13)
- c) Spiritual mentoring (Rom. 15:14; Titus 2: 3-5)

IV. The Essential Components of Spiritual Mentoring

1. An older Christian with a younger Christian.

2. A high degree of intentionality.

3. A focus on the Word and prayer.

V. Barriers to a Spiritual Mentoring Ministry

1. "I just don't have time."

2. "I'm not qualified"

3. "I don't want to get hurt."

4. "I don't have a clue how to do this"