

CONCENTRATION

We all know that in order to accomplish a certain thing we must concentrate. It is of the utmost value to learn how to concentrate. To make a success of anything you must be able to concentrate your entire thought upon the idea you are working out. Do not become discouraged, if you are unable to hold your thought on the subject very long at first. There are very few that can. It seems a peculiar fact that it is easier to concentrate on something that is not good for us, than on something that is beneficial. This tendency is overcome when we learn to concentrate consciously. If you will just practice a few concentration exercises each day you will find you will soon develop this wonderful power. Success is assured when you are able to concentrate for you are then able to utilize for your good all constructive thoughts and shut out all the destructive ones. It is of the greatest value to be able to think only that which will be beneficial.

Did you ever stop to think what an important part your thoughts, concentrated thoughts, play in your life? They have far-reaching and all-abiding effects. These lessons you will find very practical. The exercises I have thoroughly tested. They are arranged so that you will notice an improvement from the very start, and this will give you encouragement. They point out ways in which you can help yourself. Man is a wonderful creature, but he must be trained and developed to be useful. A great work can be accomplished by every man if he can be awakened to do his very best. But the greatest man would not accomplish much if he lacked concentration and effort. Dwarfs can often do the work of giants when they are transformed by the almost magic power of great mental concentration. But giants will only do the work of dwarfs when they lack this power. We accomplish more by concentration than by fitness; the man that is apparently best suited for a place does not always fill it best. It is the man that concentrates on its every possibility that makes an art of both his work and his life. Read the Book: "The Power of Concentration" by Dumont, Theron Q. down load from Amazon Books.

My (John's) comments: "I have proved the above to be true, Once I have something I know is from God and I concentrate on it amazing things can be accomplished. Back in the 80's I got a revelation from the Lord regarding winning and discipling people to God, this became the total focus of my thoughts and actions resulting in many people being saved and now walking with the Lord. If I had not concentrated, little, perhaps nothing, would be achieved. Early in my business life the same principle applied in designing developing agricultural machines, success came from complete dedication to the project at hand.

When I was a young man I asked the Managing Director of Massey Ferguson Canada what was his number one success principle? He replied without hesitation, "Complete dedication to the job on hand."

When I was a boy I used to light fires with a magnifying glass concentrated on a piece of wood. The sun's rays are warm, but when concentrated through the glass heat was produced. This is what we have to do to produce heat whether in God's things or in our natural endeavours which he should be Lord of anyway."

Jesus concentrated on his mission for the Father; The Bible says, "He set his face toward Jerusalem" -- where he accomplished redemption at Calvary. His concentration at Gathsemene caused Him to sweat great drops of blood. He had a single eye for the purposes of God.

On the amusing side: great men did unusual things in times of concentration -- Abraham Lincoln is said to have not noticed his child had fallen out of the pram until he'd walked several blocks. I read that Isaac Newton was found in the next town walking in his pyjamas he was so concentrating on his mathematical or scientific projects.

Everyone has two natures. One wants to go forward the other to pull back, the one we cultivate and concentrate on decides what we are at the end. Both natures are trying to gain control. The will alone decides the issue. A man by one supreme effort of the will will change his whole career and almost accomplish miracles. Even in a person older years or one who think he's lost life opportunities can by concentration pull themselves out of a mundane life into a new level of excitement. Remember opportunity doesn't seek us we have to seek opportunity.

Love & blessings,

John

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