



# Christian Mentoring

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## 3 NEW STUDY GUIDES

(included in August '04 edition)

### a) Mentoring a Ministry Team (p.160, before last paragraph)

**Slide 3** contains most of Personal Reflection section of new Study Guide below

#### STUDY GUIDE

##### **PERSONAL REFLECTION**

1. When working in a team (Christian or secular), in what ways did you experience:
  - Personal growth
  - Development of knowledge and understanding
  - Development of your skills
  - Support and encouragement
2. If there was a mentoring or supervision dimension in the above team...
  - How effective was this?
  - What were its strengths and weaknesses?
3. What can we learn from Rod Denton's model for mentoring his ministry team?  
(*see slide 31/3*)

##### **GROUP WORK**

1. Share and discuss your work on the above.
2. What do you consider to be some things that are essential to develop and maintain an effective ministry team?
3. If you are leading or a member of a team at present...
  - What can you affirm about the way it operates?
  - What changes could you make to enable it to be more effective?
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### b) Each Life Stage a Mentoring Opportunity (p.165)

**Slide 3** – Depending on the number of participants, have each small group deal with one of the age ranges listed

- Groups use the worksheet 3 (xii) in Miscellaneous Resources

**Slide 4** – A variation on above

- If worksheet not provided, follow outline

#### STUDY GUIDE

##### **PERSONAL REFLECTION**

1. List the life stages mentioned on page 161.
  - Next to each major stage list the needs unique to that stage.
  - Choose one or two of these life stages and note the help you received at that stage, or would have appreciated receiving.

##### **GROUP WORK**

1. Share and discuss your work on the above.
2. Next to each of the life stages assigned to, or chosen by your group list what you consider to be the appropriate help that could be offered.
3. From whom should you seek advice regarding the best form of help to provide for the respective life stages you considered?
4. What have you learned so far in your study of how to go about mentoring that should guide you in providing this aspect of mentoring?
5. How could you begin to offer this ministry in your church?



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## c) Implementing a Mentoring System (p.174)

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#### **PERSONAL REFLECTION**

1. Who is a mentor/disciple-maker in your membership now? What are their characteristics?
2. If you were planning a series of talks or small groups' studies to prepare the way for a mentoring program what would you include?
3. What prayer notes would you prepare for your membership during this period?

#### **GROUP WORK**

1. Share and discuss your work on the above.
2. Do you have anything to add to that given under the selection and enlistment of mentors?
3. How would you undertake the process of the pairing of mentors and mentorees?
4. Discuss what is suggested for mentors' support clusters. What other ideas do you have?
5. Why is supervision considered to be important? Who do you have in your membership who has the skills to undertake this?