

January 12th - 18th

This Year I Will pt2: There is no Magic Wand

In this lesson you will learn three ways to be an I will person this year.

Intro: The future needs you. Your future is putting a demand on your present. This year take time and intentionally develop the potential inside of you. In order to do this, you must change your mind. Our thoughts control our lives. If you don't think it, you won't do it. You can control your thoughts by feeding on God's words and God's presence. It's your mind and you get to choose what you will focus your mind on.

I. Develop Divine Disciplines

- A. Faith without action is dead (James 2:17). Every great work begins with small steps. Pay attention to the small things. Take steps in; prayer, bible reading, church attendance, and accountability. Don't ask God to do things that He has empowered you to do. The grace of God is not a license to be lazy, but a blessing to empower you to live a disciplined life for God.

II. Develop Divine Experimentation

- A. Experimentation is defined as: trying out new concepts, trying new ways of doing things, or a test to discover something unknown. Walk in divine experimentation testing out the dreams, gifts, and talents that God has entrusted to you. 1 Sam 14:6- perhaps God will use you as walk with courage in faith. Use new strategies and new plans in a Godly way this year.

III. Develop Divine Focus

- A. Take time this year to set boundaries in your life. Neh 6:1-4 – You must tell the distractions and the haters in your life that you are doing a great work and cannot come down. The greater the focus, the greater the impact. There is a great power in saying no to the trivial and saying yes to your destiny. Laser focus in on what really matters in life.

Discussion Questions

1. What has been holding you back from exercising godly discipline in your life?
2. What strategies do you need to test out this year?
3. What is the great work that God has called you to focus on this year?