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COMMITMENT TO SUPERNATURAL POWER

I am going to repent (change direction) in the following areas
 in order to clear the way for God's supernatural power
 to flow unhindered in my life:

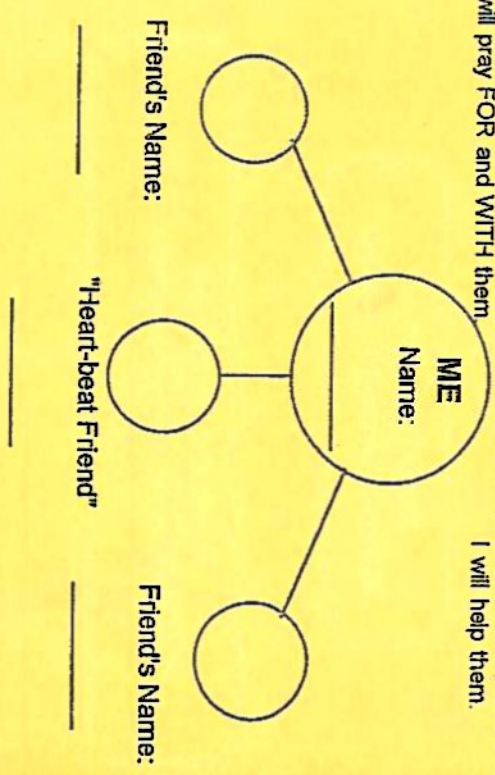
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| _____ Fasting | _____ Sin | _____ Attitude |
| _____ Prayer | _____ Habits | _____ Bitterness |
| _____ Bible Reading | _____ Priorities | _____ Impurity |
| _____ Church Attendance | _____ Schedule | _____ Worldly |
| _____ Apathy | _____ Non-commitment | _____ Values |

COMMITMENT TO PERSONAL MINISTRY

Jesus gave us an example to follow !
 Jesus fed 5,000 people
 Jesus sent out 70 followers
 Jesus groomed 12 leaders
 Jesus spent most of his time with 3 men
 Jesus had 1 man who heard His heart beat !

MY CARE CORE MINISTRY

I will invest my life into these individuals. I will keep regular contact with them.
 I will play FOR and WITH them. I will help them.



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THE MAN WHO DROPPED OUT OF CHURCH !

Acts 20:7-12

7 On the first day of the week we came together to break bread.
 Paul spoke to the people and, because he intended to leave the
 next day, kept on talking until midnight.

8 There were many lamps in the upstairs room
 where we were meeting.

9 Seated in a window was a young man named Eutychus,
 who was sinking into a deep sleep as Paul talked on and on.
 When he was sound asleep, he fell to the ground
 from the third story and was picked up dead.

10 Paul went down, threw himself on the young man
 and put his arms around him.
 "Don't be alarmed," he said. "He's alive!"

11 Then Paul went upstairs again and broke bread and ate.
 After talking until daylight, Paul left.

12 The people took the young man home alive
 and were greatly comforted.

EUTYCHUS WAS A GOOD MAN !
 "EUTYCHUS" means "good man," "fortunate"

EUTYCHUS WAS IN A GOOD CHURCH !
 1. Lots of good preaching ! (vs 7 & 11)
 2. Lots of good fellowship ! (vs 7 & 11)

WHY DID EUTYCHUS FALL ASLEEP ?

1. It was late (vs 7)
(A church's schedule can wear you out)

2. There were many smoky lamps (vs 8)
(Christians give off smoke! - II Cor 2:14-16)
(There are things we do that make good people fall asleep!)

3. He was sitting on the window sill (vs 9)
(Not everybody CAN or WILL fit on the front row)
(There are many good people sitting on the sidelines)

4. Paul preached very long (vs 9)
(Not everybody hangs onto every word of the preacher)

WHAT WAS NEEDED TO MINISTER TO A DEAD EUTYCHUS ?

1. Supernatural Power (vs 10)
2. Personal Attention (vs 12)

BEFORE	AFTER
1. Fellowship (vs 7)	1. Fellowship (vs 11)
2. Preaching (vs 7)	2. Preaching (vs 11)
3.	3. Supernatural Power (vs 10)
4.	4. Personal Attention (vs 12)

Note:

The Fellowship and Preaching were not enough.
Eutychus required Supernatural Power and Personal Attention.

WHO MINISTERED TO EUTYCHUS ?

"The PEOPLE took the young man home!" (vs 12)
(Paul left town!)

PAUL WAS NOT A VERY GOOD PASTOR !

1. He did not pray with the man !
2. He may have spent 30 seconds with the man !
3. He went back upstairs and continued eating !
4. He talked until morning and left town !

NOTE:

The church body **MUST** minister to its own!
The preachers can **NOT** do it all.

Honor and respect your ministers.
Recognize how God moves powerfully through them,
but minister to people as if the preachers are leaving the next day!
When the preachers are gone,
the church body **MUST** minister to its own!

THE RESULT ?

"GREAT COMFORT" (vs 12)

A related message:

"MOSES WAS A WORK-A-HOLIC !"
Ex 18:13-26