

Fire Pit Topic November: Diligence

Definition: The ability to stay at a task, endure the time and hardships, in order to accomplish a goal. The willingness to work hard.

Questions: Who is the most diligent person you know and why?

Do you stay at a difficult task or have a tendency to drop the task as things become difficult?

Fire Pit Discussion: Focus Group

1. Discuss the definition.
2. Historical illustrations
 - a. John Hyde: Missionary to India 1892. Devoted to diligent pray for the people of India. Called "Praying Hyde"
 - b. Allied Forces in WW11: Diligent to defeat Hitler.
3. References in Bible:
 - a. Proverbs 4: 23, 21: 5
 - b. Romans 12: 11
4. Illustrated in the Life of Jesus
 - a. Luke 19: 1- 10 Seen in the life of Zaccheus. Diligent to see Jesus.
 - b. Jesus enduring the cross for the purposes of God.
 - (a.) Luke 9: 51: Sets face toward Jerusalem and cross.
 - (b.) John 19: 30: "It is finished" (All I came to do is accomplished)
5. Application: Where in your life do you need to apply more diligence?