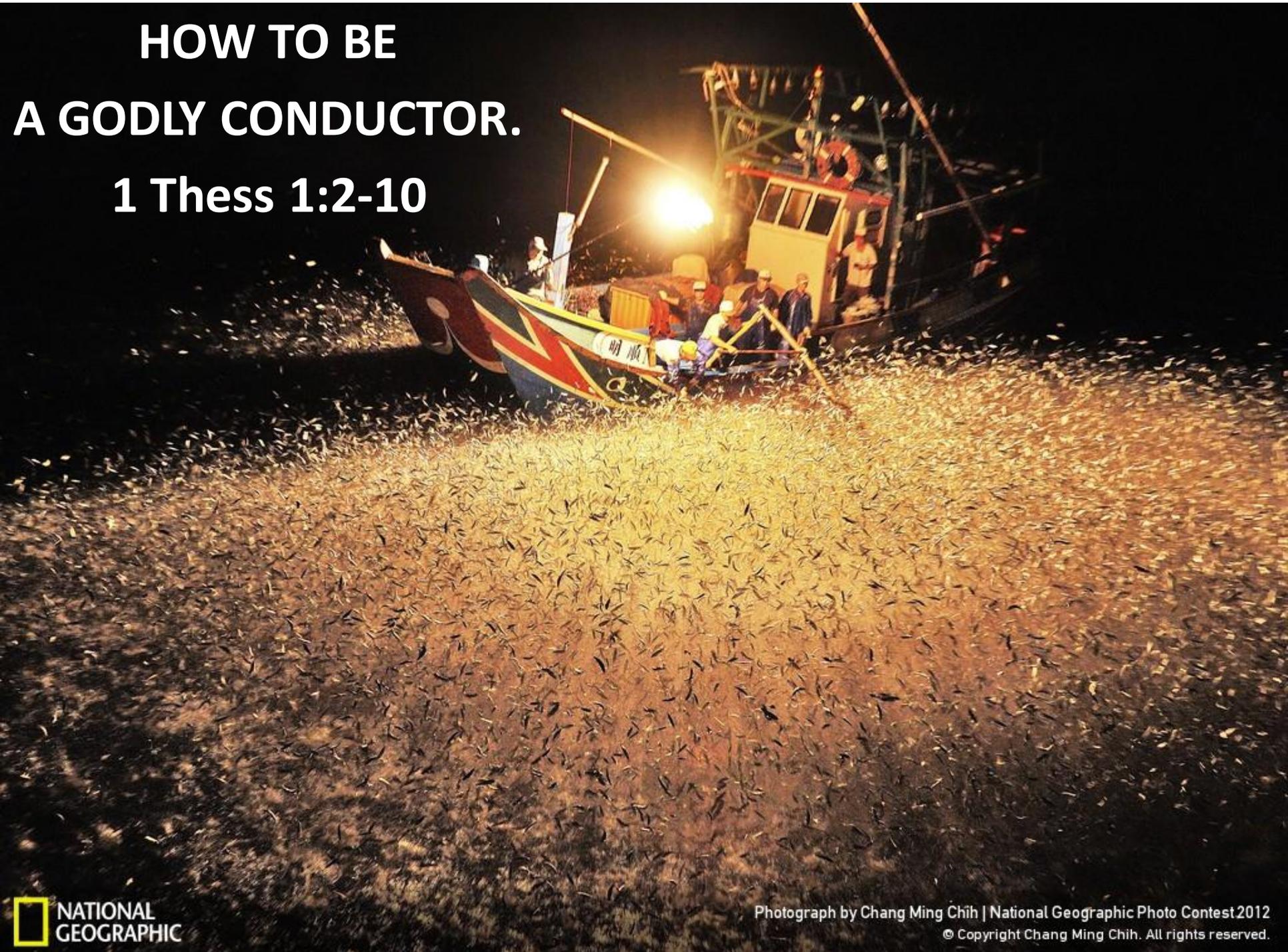


**HOW TO BE
A GODLY CONDUCTOR.
1 Thess 1:2-10**



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- I am sure some of us when we noticed the title of this message thought about
- A Bus conductor!!
- But imagine for a moment if you were a bus conductor FOR JESUS, what would you be calling for people to do?
- May be you'll call your bus "Eternal Life Bus"
- And you will be shouting...'Enter the only bus to heaven' if you miss it you are jones ooh'
- Just accept Jesus Christ to enter.
- No matter how big your sin's, accept Jesus and your sins will be forgiven, Enter, Enter, ooh
- The Bus is going Soooooon, Don't miss it.
- What kind of a conductor are YOU?
- God is watching.

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- There are many different types of conduct, some good, others bad, your bible describes a wide range of conduct that many of US have. Let's see if you can identify and classify some of the various types of conducts;

- 1 Peter 1:15 talks about _____ conduct
- Phil 1:27 _____ worthy of _____
- Ps 37:14/Prov 21:8 _____
- 2 Peter 3:11 _____
- James 3:13 _____
- 2 Corin 1:12.....
- Ps 112:5

- 2 Peter 2:7 _____ conduct
- Deut 22:14, 17 _____ conduct
- Eph 3:2
- 1 Peter 1:18
- Gal 1:13.....
- Eze 20:43.....
- Jerm 6:15

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- **1 Peter 1:15** talks about **HOLY** conduct
- **Phil 1:27** **CONDUCT** worthy of **CHRIST**
- **Ps 37:14/Prov 21:8** **UPRIGHT**
- **2 Peter 3:11** **HOLY**
- **James 3:13** _ _ _ _ **GOOD**
- **2 Corin 1:12...OUR CONDUCT WAS WITH SIMPLICITY & SINCERITY**
- **Ps 112:5****CONDUCT THEIR AFFAIRS WITH JUSTICE**
- **2 Peter 2:7** **_FILTHY _** conduct
- **Deut 22:14, 17** **_ SHAMEFUL _** conduct
- **Eph 3:2****LUSTFUL CONDUCT**
- **1 Peter 1:18****AIMLESS CONDUCT.....**
- **Gal 1:13**.....**DSTRUCTIVE.....**
- **Eze 20:43**.....**EVIL CONDUCT.....**
- **Jerm 6:15****DETESTABLE CONDUCT...**

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- Let's look at our text 1 Thess 1:2-10 closely, Looking out for the conduct of the Thessalonians;
- "We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father **your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.**
- For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake.

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- **You became imitators of us and of the Lord**, for you welcomed the message in the midst of **severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit**.
- And so **you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia**. The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us.
- **They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God**, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath."

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What was the cause of this remarkable conduct?

- God@Work.

1. He _____ them (& You Too) (V 4 Grace)

2. He _____ them (& You Too) (V 4 Mercy)

3. He _____ them (& You Too) (V 5 Power and deep conviction)

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God@Work. 1. He _Loved _ them (& You Too) (V 4 Grace)

- A. He loves you as an individual. Isaiah 43:1-4 say God calls you by name. (***Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life. (Isaiah 43:4 NIV)***). Tell your neighbour God loves me just the way I am. He loves me as me. I am precious in his sight.
- B. Special and Unique Love. God loves you specially and Jerm 29:11 says He is always thinking about you.
- C. Because God loves you you have become his son/ daughter. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— (John 1:12 NIV), ***"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!" (1 John 3:1a NIV)*** He also calls you His friend John15: 14-15
- D. His love for you doesn't change even when you miss it and sin, it is constant. It's unceasing Jerm X:xx
- E. His love causes Him to give you gifts, his blessing are new every morning, john1:16 one blessing after another after another,
- ***For out of His fullness (abundance) we have all received [all had a share and we were all supplied with] one grace after another and spiritual blessing upon spiritual blessing and even favor upon favor and gift [heaped] upon gift. (John 1:16 AMP)***
- Rom8:32 (He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? (Romans 8:32 NIV) no good thing will he withhold and freely He gives us all good things, and His Best Gift -John 3:16- Himself and Eternal life.

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- 2. He _ CHOSE_ them (& You Too) (V 4 Mercy)
- A. Of His own free will he selected you out of billions and decided to choose you! I wo ni kan tan. He could have chosen someone else, but of his mercies that endure for ever He chose you. The weakest, poorest, Tell yourself Jesus chose Me!
- B. To be a carrier of His glory, of His new life, of His good news. A vessel onto honor. The object of His favor, which He lavishes on His chosen ones. **You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.**
(John 15:16 NIV)

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- 3. He FILLED them(& You Too) (V 5 Power and deep conviction)
- A. Fills you with Power, beyond your imagination, to do things that Only God can do. **But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1:8 NIV)**
- B. Fills you with Love Rom 5:5, so that here on earth you can be like him, a light in the darkest pointing people (by your conduct) to Jesus.
- C. He fills you with Himself, so you never are alone any more, any where. **Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me..... And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18, 20 NIV)**

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What Did They Do?

1. They _____ the apostles and the Lord Jesus.(v6)
2. They _____ O___ the H.A.B.I.T.S. (v7-9)
3. They _____ the pain. (v 6)

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What Did They Do? IMITATED

- 1. They _ imitated _ the apostles and the Lord Jesus.(v6)
- They did what they saw the apostle do, and listened to what they said about Jesus.
- Then they began to walk and talk like Jesus, then they began to act like him too...and then John 14:12 happened. Check it out.

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- What Did They Do? They _ LIVED _ OUT the H.A.B.I.T.S. (v7-9)
- What did they see the apostles do? For They not only heard the word, they obeyed it, and Lived it out. Six things.....That you should do too.

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- What Did They Do? They ENDURED the pain. (v 6)
- Obeying the word and living it comes with opposition from the world.
- The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When **trouble or persecution comes because of the word**, they quickly fall away. (Matthew 13:20, 21 NIVUK). These ones were determined to endure till the end, even though it was painful- rejection by friends, opposition by others for no just reason, - will receive the reward.

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What was the result?

1. Works(Conduct) Fueled (produced) by _____
2. Labour(conduct) prompted by _____
3. Patience/Endurance inspired by _____

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What was the result?

- 1. Works(Conduct) Fueled (produced) by _ FAITH_
- Faith believes God and ACTS on that believe, taking what is unseen as real. Faith without action(works) is dead and is not faith at all. They left idol worship and turned wholly to Jesus as savior, provider and protector. They placed their faith/ trust in what the word promised and conducted their lives and actions on the basis of the word.(they knew and trusted in).

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What was the result?

- 2. Labour(conduct) prompted by _ LOVE_
- Love is hard work. Love is sacrifice. It takes deliberate effort. It takes God on the inside to love- your friends and God both inside and outside to love your enemies.

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What was the result?

- 3. Patience/Endurance inspired by HOPE
- Hope keeps the heart beating. Hope holds on to the eternal promises of God despite trials and grief and troubles on all sides.
- Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. (1 Peter 1:3-6 NIVUK)

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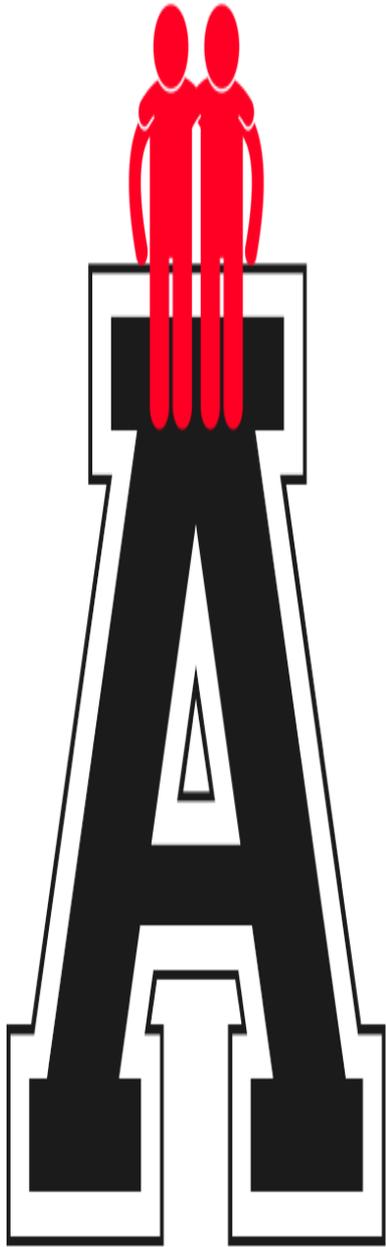
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- Benefits:1. You get to see great and mighty mysteries. Jerm 33:3
- 2. Exposes you to times of deep worship and adoration, some people cry for joy
- 3. A time to ask and receive things we need and things we desire.
- 4. God takes you from the natural to the supernatural.

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A _____ W _____
another believer.

- Benefits: 1. A time to enjoy some else's opinion and point of view.
- 2. Creates opportunities for someone to encourage you to be better, aim higher.
- 3. A shoulder to cry on, when you are hurt, or when you mess up, someone who accepts you as you are, tells you the truth, and gives godly advise.

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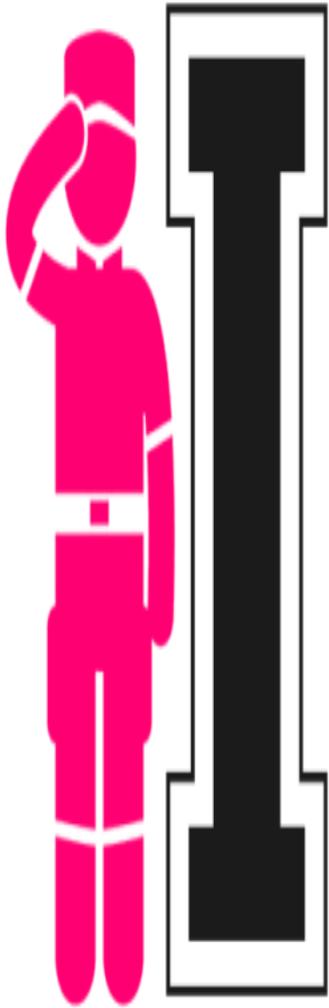
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- Benefits: 1. It is vital to winning the greatest battles and struggles of life. Matt 4:1-12
- 2. It enables us to overcome sin. Ps 119:9-11

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I _____ with a unit in
church.



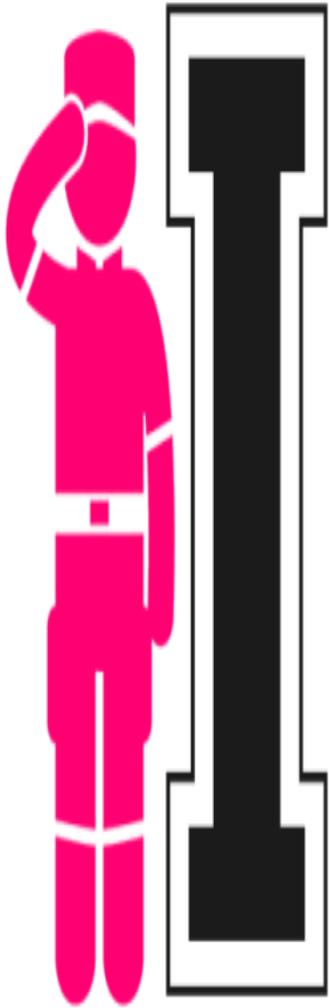
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- Benefits: 1. A good way to make new friends in church.
- 2. Helps to develop a health attitude to serve others
- 3. Enables us to develop our God-given talents and gifts.

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I _____ with a unit in church.



- G-CONNECT & ALABASTER GIRLS
- X-DIT & MEDIA
- USHERS
- DRAMA
- PRAYER
- GAMES/SPORTS
- VSQUARD
- TECHNICAL
- LIBRARY
- CHIOR

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- T_____ Commitment
- Benefits: 1. Opens windows for God's blessings to pour into your life. Mal 3:8-12.
- 2. Creates a confirmation of obedience to God and worship of God.
- 3. Enables us to appreciate God and to say thank you to God for His provisions.



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S _ _ _ _ Scripture

- Benefits: 1. Comes with God's guarantee of Good success. Jos 1:8
- 2. With this habit comes approval from God himself. 2Tim 2:15, 3:15-17
- 3. This will ensure we are not confused, deceived, mis-guided, and we know Gods will for our lives.



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- How many of these HABITS do you do?
- Stand up and commit to those ones you don't do today as Pastor prays for us.
- As the Holy Spirit enables us, we will be Godly conductors of His power, Love and Word in Jesus name.