

Successful Keys to Blooming Where You Are Planted*

I. Keys to Longevity

1. First of all, make sure you have a real personal relationship with Christ.
2. You must have a call from God.
3. Ask God to give you His vision, or goal for your life.
4. Know that you are in God's will.
5. Know that God is your Source.
6. Trust in God's grace and His anointing on your life.
7. Always obey God's specific instructions.
8. Be patient.
9. Be willing to change direction.
10. Always remain sensitive to the Holy Spirit.

II. Keys to Commitment

11. Have a loyalty and faithfulness that goes beyond personal feelings.
12. Don't ever be too big to do the small things or too small to do the big things.
13. Commit to the ministry the way you ought to be committed to your marriage.
14. Do the very best wherever you are.
15. Stay with something until the job is done.
16. Never quit or give up.
17. Know that your rewards are laid up in heaven.
18. Do everything you know to do to get where you want to be.
19. Be dependable.

III. Keys to Attitude

20. Be willing to do whatever is asked.
21. Do not lose sight of the people behind the work.
22. Be thankful for your position and never take it for granted.
23. Develop a servant's heart.
24. Serve as if you were serving Jesus Himself, and do not get your eyes on the man under whom you work. On the other hand, be careful to respect the call that is on his/her life.
25. Be willing to submit to authority.
26. Be big enough to be rebuked and corrected.
27. Hear no evil, see no evil, and speak no evil.
28. Judge yourself.
29. Maintain your joy in the Lord.
30. Have a healthy perspective of yourself.
31. Maintain a good attitude.

IV. Keys to Teamwork

32. Walk without offense.
33. Use all the talents and abilities God has given you.
34. Know that you are important and needed.
35. Respect everyone.
36. Help other people fulfill their ministries.
37. Be a good follower as well as a good leader.
38. Be patient with one another.
39. Always walk in love.
40. Always keep the overall vision of the church before you.

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