



Design: Seeks out relationships with mature leaders to learn from them

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	Spiritual	Experiential	Relational	Instructional
1	Meditate on Luke 2:40-52; Romans 16:13; 1 Corinthians 4:15; Galatians 2:2; 1 Peter 5:5. Memorize one or two of these verses.	Observe the life and ministry of your mentor and other mature believers. Invite them to share why they do what they do. How did God lead them in doing so? Practice learning from them.	Find a spiritual mentor/leader, tell them your goal, and invite them to hold you accountable. Keep in touch with them through phone calls, chat, and face-to-face conversation, etc.	Study Luke 2:40-52; Romans 16:13; Galatians 2:2; 1 Peter 5:5.
2	Meditate on the example of Jesus in Luke 2:46. Do you have this same desire to learn from mature leaders? Ask God to give you this desire.	Whenever you encounter tough problems, ask your mentor for their advice.	Voluntarily tell your leader about your weaknesses and seek their advice and prayers.	Study the relationships between Paul and other believers in Romans 16:13 and 2 Timothy 3:14, then teach your church or small group about these relationships.
3	Reflect on those spiritual parents, good teachers, and mature leaders who have influenced your life greatly, and give thanks to God for them.	Invite your mentor, family members, or those who know you to evaluate the areas where you need to grow. Ask them to give you advice; then make plans based on their advice, and implement your plan.	Serve others as a mentor or coach – seek to encourage younger new believers.	Study one or two examples of people in the Bible who sought out their leaders. Observe how they built relationships with mature leaders and the results of their proactivity.
4	Reflect on the relationship (or lack of relationship) you have with mature leaders. If you lack relationships with mature leaders because you refuse to seek them out, confess this to God, repent, and receive God's mercy. Pray that God would give you a humble and teachable heart.	Regularly (once a month, etc.) contact your leaders voluntarily. Meet and talk with them about life and ministry. Have a meal with them, spend time sharing with each other, and build friendship with them.	Find two mature saints to be a "prayer warrior support team." Update them every week.	Study one or two examples of people in the Bible who refused to build relationships with mature leaders or even ask for their advice. What were the consequences? What could they have done instead?
5	If you lack relationships with mature leaders because there are few available, ask God to bring leaders into your life or reveal mature leaders to you. Pray for the courage and strength to seek them out.	Find two spiritually mature leaders or believers and talk to them about their ministry experience and relationship with God.	Find several people to hold you accountable to seeking out your leaders. Ask them to pray for you and encourage you as you seek to grow.	Find and read books and articles on the subject of mentoring (ask friends and spiritual leaders for suggestions).
6	Pray that God would work in your life so that you would be more proactive in seeking growth.	Take stock of your social circles. If they are lacking or consist mostly of your peers, enlarge them by reaching out to three different leaders that you admire for advice, or joining two groups outside of your circles.	Invite your family members and friends to evaluate where you have been doing well in regard to seeking out mature leaders, and where you have not been doing well. Ask them to pray for you.	Listen to sermons, teaching, and podcasts on developing relationships with leaders.
7	Pray that God would give you humility, that you would seek out help and advice from a meek and humble heart.	Ask spiritually mature leaders and believers about the ministries they are currently doing. Volunteer to participate in their ministry so that you can spend more time with them, have more opportunities to learn from them, and build relationships with them.	Observe and learn from those believers who proactively seek to grow by building good relationships with spiritually mature believers. Ask about their attitudes and thoughts, and imitate them.	Listen to audio teachings on Spiritual Life by Malcolm Webber – at least one per week.
8	Pray that God would give you the right people and relationships to pursue, so that as your life is built up you may also build others up.	Come up with five questions to ask spiritually mature leaders (such as "What is your toughest challenge in your ministry and how do you overcome it?"), then contact your leaders and ask these questions.		Discuss with your family or group: What elements should there be in a healthy relationship? What can we do to build such relationships? Make a list and then carry it out.
9				Interview a spiritually mature leader/believer every week and invite them to share their life stories.