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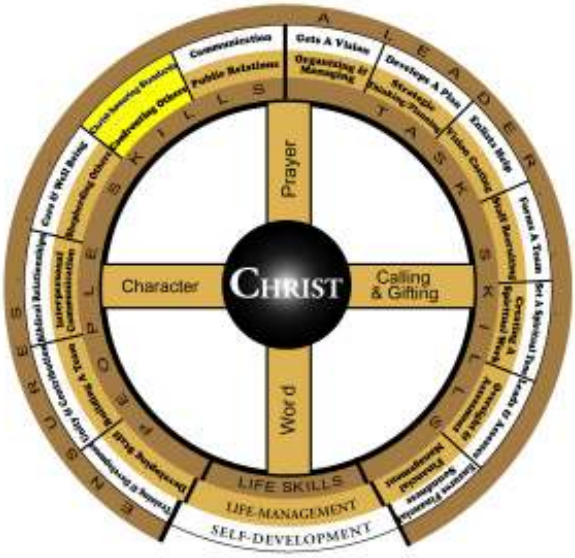
People Skills – Confronting Others



3 Guidelines for Living Your Convictions

How to Operate Outside of Your Comfort Zone

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A Study – Romans 14

When confronting the "gray areas" of life where there is no clear biblical command and relating to others of differing beliefs (convictions), how do I act? This passage gives me several guidelines to direct my thinking and actions.

Guideline #1 Assume the Right Attitudes!

1. Rom. 14:1 Accept him whose faith is weak
2. Rom. 14:5 Be fully convinced in your own mind
3. Rom. 14:13 Stop passing judgment on others

Guideline #2 Ask the Right Questions!

1. Rom. 14:15 Is my brother distressed?
2. Rom. 14:16 Is it spoken of as evil?
3. Rom. 14:19 Does it lead to peace and mutual edification?
4. Rom. 14:20 Does it cause someone else to stumble?
5. Rom. 14:23 Do I have doubts about it?

Guideline #3 Apply the Right Principles!

1. Rom. 14:22 Keep your convictions to yourself
2. Rom. 15:1 Strong yield to the weak
3. Rom. 15:2 Seek to please your neighbor