

# Authenticity and Integrity (AI) for Bible Education in Africa

## WORKSHOP 1:

Mentoring Students to be Men of  
**Authenticity and Integrity**

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What in the world is going on in Africa?

Christianity in Africa  
is a mile wide, yet  
only an inch deep

What in the world is going on in Africa?

1. In the local church?
2. In the Bible College?

## WHAT IS A MENTOR?

**A person with experience in any given role who supports and advises someone with less experience to help them develop**

# WHAT IS A MENTOR?

- ▶ A mentor is like a father.
- ▶ A mentor has no desire seeing the student they are mentoring ending up like a foolish man.
- ▶ Like a father moves his son from self-centeredness to self-discipline so is the goal of a mentor.
- ▶ The mentoring relationship is intentional.
- ▶ The mentoring relationship ought to lead the mentee toward **FREEDOM** because they have developed self-discipline.
- ▶ Mentoring fosters real human connectedness.
- ▶ A mentor's role is to help the mentee develop into the person that God has called him to be.

## WHAT IS SELF-DISCIPLINE?

Self-discipline is choosing to submit to God's wisdom and discipline and practicing His standards of righteousness

## Hebrews 12:11

All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness

# WHAT IS SELF-DISCIPLINE?

- ▶ **Proverbs 10:1-32**
- ▶ **1 Corinthians 2:1-16**



# CHARACTERISTICS OF SELF-DISCIPLINED MEN

- ▶ Self disciplined men learn to control their emotions and drives.
- ▶ Self disciplined men respect authority, even when they do not agree with it.
- ▶ Self disciplined men understand the value of future reward over immediate gratification.
- ▶ Self disciplined men have learned to see outside of their own little world of their own needs - they are **SERVANT LEADERS**.
- ▶ Self disciplined men are **SELF-STARTERS**.

# MENTORING IN AN ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT

- ▶ Mentoring provides a safeguard of what is **authentic** and what is **true**
- ▶ *Authenticity* is defined as - *true to one's own personality, spirit, or character - someone who is not false*
- ▶ **Proverbs 12:22** *Lying lips are an abomination to the LORD, but those who deal faithfully are His delight.*
- ▶ **John 1:14** *And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

# MENTORING IN AN ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT

- ▶ Mentoring provides accountability in safeguarding **integrity**
- ▶ *Integrity* is defined as - *conduct that conforms to an accepted standard of right and wrong*
- ▶ **Proverbs 11:3** *The integrity of the upright will guide them, but the crookedness of the treacherous will destroy them.*
- ▶ **Proverbs 20:7** *A righteous man who walks in his integrity - How blessed is his sons after him.*

# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- ▶ How will the absence of mentoring students impact the local church **DURING** and **AFTER** their studies at Bible College?
- ▶ What role can both the **BIBLE COLLEGE** and the **LOCAL CHURCH** play in mentoring students?