

FOUR SKILLS THAT SCHOOL NEVER TAUGHT US

Essential skills we need to succeed are _____.

God will reward us for these skills. (Matt. 25)

Jesus lived out these skills and called us to do the same;

I. Like Jesus we need to operate from a heart of

_____.

John 15:12-13 This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.

Philippians 2:3-4 Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

II. Like Jesus we should not _____ the sinner, nor _____ the sin.

The Problem is;

Legalism – is imposing an often unreachable standard, with an attitude of self-righteousness and condemnation toward others.

Condoning Sin – In a desire to accept the person, one may excuse and accept their sin.

Jesus' answer is speaking the _____.
(woman caught in adultery)

Ephesians 4:15 (NIV) Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

2 Timothy 4:3 For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear.

III. Like Jesus, we need the _____ to care more about people than what they think of us.

Galatians 1:10 Obviously, I'm not trying to win the approval of people, but of God. If pleasing people were my goal, I would not be Christ's servant.

2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (NKJV) Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know *Him thus* no longer.

IV. Like Jesus, we are called to encourage _____.

Colossians 4:6 (NIV) Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

2 Corinthians 5:18 (NIV) All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.

An encouraging word :

Philippians 1:6 (NIV) being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.