

The Lord's Goalkeeper



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Align with the Key Indicators for Conversion

1. New people being taught
2. Lessons with a member participating
3. People being taught who attend sacrament meetings
4. People with a baptismal date
5. People who are baptized and confirmed
6. New members attending sacrament meetings



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What is difficult about accomplishing goals?

Goal Setting Process: The Creation



1. Set Goals and Make Plans:

Abraham 4; 5:3 - The Gods planned the creation process prior to executing it.

2. Record and Schedule Your Plans:

Abraham 4:5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31; 5:2 - The Gods scheduled out exactly when each part of the creation process would occur.

3. Act on Your Plans:

Abraham 5:4-16 - The Gods executed their plans in faith.

4. Review progress and follow-up

Moses 2:10, 12, 18, 21, 25, 31; 3:2; Genesis 1:4, 10, 12, 18, 25, 31 - "...and I, God, saw that all things which I had made were good." God reviewed His creations. (PMG ch. 8)

“Faith to Reap”



“I have noticed in my life, Brothers and Sisters, that there seems to be two distinct levels of faith. The first level is the faith to try, the faith to enroll, the faith to thrust in our sickles. But there is another level of faith. It is more than the faith to try, it is the faith to do... It is more than the faith to thrust in your sickle, it is the faith to reap... The real power in our covenants and the real power in the faith to reap is realized not when we conclude with certainty that God keeps his promises, but when we finally conclude, with certainty, that we keep ours.” (**Elder Wilford W. Andersen, “The Faith to Reap,” BYU-Idaho Speeches, March 17, 2015**)

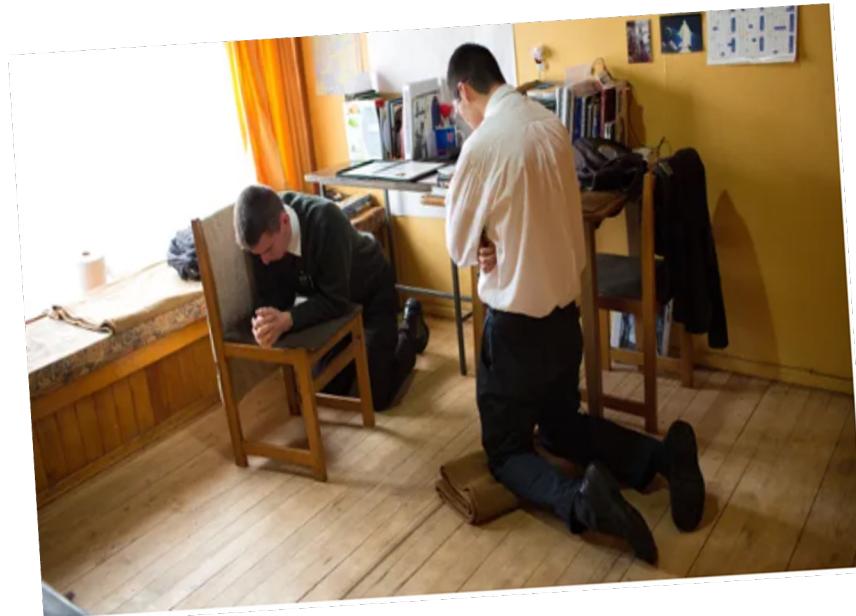
Personal Goals/Ambition

1 Nephi 3:15 - “As the Lord liveth... we will not go down unto our father in the wilderness until we have accomplished the thing which the Lord hath commanded us.”



Make your planning sessions a time for revelation

Pray earnestly, exercise faith,
counsel with your companion, and
follow the promptings of the Spirit.
(PMG ch.8 pg 152)





What to do when your plan fails

Accountability



Alma 42 - Alma teaches Corianton that accountability is an essential part of the Plan of Salvation.

When something doesn't go according to plan, do we immediately blame others/investigators, or do we turn inwards to identify our own shortcomings?

Goal-Setting Process: Iterative



Role Play (The goal-setting process)

Case 1A (Step 1 and 2 of the goal-setting process):

- A person you're teaching has accepted an invitation to attend church this week. What will you do to help the person progress toward baptism and confirmation?



Case 2A (Step 1 and 2 of the goal-setting process):

- A person has accepted the soft baptismal invitation but does not understand why they need to be baptized again. What will you do to help the person progress toward baptism and confirmation?



Role Play (The goal-setting process)

Case1B (Step 4, 1 and 2 of the goal-setting process)

- Your plan failed. Review and repeat the process



Case 2B (Step 4, 1 and 2 of the goal-setting process)

- Your plan worked. Review and repeat the process

Invitations

1. Use the goal-setting process to set goals and make plans in all areas of your work.
2. Pray more earnestly during planning
3. Set personal goals about your involvement in the work

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Thank you