

Sharpen the Ax (To Change Your Life)

Scripture Reference: Ecclesiastes 10:10

What needs to change in your Life? Do you want to grow? Be better?

I. "If the Ax is _____..."

1. Do you feel _____? Ineffective? Broke? Messed up? Angry?
_____? Miserable?
2. Do you want to _____? Be stronger? Get ahead? Have _____?
3. Do you feel like the LORD is speaking to you? I feel HE is saying:

_____.
4. If you want to change, other people and GOD _____ these
make those decisions for you. John 5:6

II. "And one does not _____ the Edge"

5. Do people like to change? _____. People _____ like to make
decisions. They _____. They won't _____ with things.
They become _____/settle for.
They act like ... "things will _____ get better ... somehow??"
6. WHY do people shy away from change?
 - A. The reason is ... because it is _____ to change.
 - B. It is even _____ to change.
 - D. It takes _____ to change. And it takes _____ effort to change.
 - E. Growth and change is not about getting it right the _____,
but about _____ getting it right. (Don't be afraid to _____)
7. It takes a _____ to change. No Plan; No _____. Prov. 21:5
No Goals; No _____. To Repent means to change _____.
 - A. Would you be grateful for _____ change in the next six months?
Little by little _____ habits are broken. Little by little _____ habits
are born. Little by little _____ become reality. Psalm 37:23
 - B. Can you _____ changing, getting better, stronger?
Gen. 15:5, 2 Kings 6:17, Jer. 24:3, Ezek. 37
You have to _____ it, before you can _____ it. Gen. 30:37-43
 - C. _____ what you want to see tomorrow. Gal. 6:7-8

III. "He must exert more _____"

8. Is the Holy Spirit _____ you to change? Grow? John 16:8-11
HE is the Spirit of _____. John 14:17 HE is the _____. John 14:26

HE will put HIS _____ on what HE sees needs to change.

9. Some areas that most of us want to get better in:

- _____ healthier. Exercise (just _____) Save money.
- Pay off _____. Start a new hobby. Improve relationships.
- Find work/life _____. Be _____. Pray more.
- Get _____. Watch less TV Disciple the kids.
- Break a bad habit _____ more Go on a Date Night
- Stop being _____/harsh Stop being so _____

IV. "Wisdom has the _____"

10. Wisdom is _____ from GOD's Perspective. Isaiah 55:8-9

11. _____ do you need Wisdom? Prov. 4:7, Prov. 1:20

12. Are you _____ for Wisdom? James 1:5-8 (GOD wants to give it)

Are you _____ to GOD's Spirit?

V. "Of giving _____"

13. _____ on Wisdom ... give Success. John 8:32

14. Develop your _____ to Grow; and work your Plan. Matthew 7:24

_____ your Plan down. Don't be a Hearer, who _____
themselves. Be a _____. James 1:22-25

VII. If you grow your Faith, you will grow everything else.

1. _____ read your Bible every day.

2. _____ your personal daily prayer time.

3. Keep your family _____ in Church.

4. Join a _____. You will grow faster, and develop good friendships.

5. Write Bible verses down and _____ them. Say them aloud daily.

They will _____ Fear and Doubt.

6. _____ in a Ministry. Giving back helps you the most. Luke 6:38

* You have a Gift from GOD. It is called _____. By the power of GOD,
make the most of it. _____.

