

# Adding Momentum To My Mission

Making The Most Of My Life Part 5 of 10

**“If the ax is dull and its edge unsharpened, more strength is needed but skill will bring success.”**

Ecclesiastes 10:10

## 4 ESSENTIAL SKILLS TO SHARPEN

### 1. I Must Master \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Above all else, guard your affections. For they influence everything else in your life.”**

Proverbs 4:23 (Living Bible)

**“A man without self-control is as defenseless as a city with broken down walls.”**

Proverbs 25-28 (Living Bible)

#### • THE HABIT OF \_\_\_\_\_.

**“...Let your enthusiastic idea at the start be equaled by your realistic action now.”**

2 Corinthians 8:11 (Living Bible)

#### • THE HABIT OF \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Prepare your minds for action: discipline yourselves...”**

1 Peter 1:13 (NRSV)

**“...Let God transform you inwardly by a complete change of your mind.”**

Romans 12:2 (Good News)

**“Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable-if anything is excellent or praiseworthy-think about such things.”**

Philippians 4:8

**“There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength.”**

Philippians 4:13 (Jerusalem Bible)

**“Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.”**

Romans 12:11

### 2. I Must Maintain \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Anyone who lets himself be distracted from the work I plan for him is not fit for the Kingdom of God.”**

Luke 9:62 (Living Bible)

#### • THE HABIT OF \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Keep a close watch on all you do and think. Stay true to what is right and God will bless you and use you to help others.”**

1 Timothy 4:16 (Living Bible)

**“Check up on yourselves...”**

2 Corinthians 13:5 (Living Bible)

**“Ponder the paths on which you walk...”**

Proverbs 4:26

### 3. I Must Manage \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Be very careful how you live -- not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity...”**

Ephesians 5:15-16

**“...It is stupid to waste time on useless projects.”**

Proverbs 12:11 (Good News)

#### • THE HABIT OF \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Teach us to number our days and recognize how few they are; help us to spend them as we should.”**

Psalms 90:12 (Living Bible)

### 4. I Must Maximize \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Fan into flame the gift of God which is in you...”**

2 Timothy 1:6

Matthew 25:14-30

#### • THE HABIT OF \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Do yourself a favor and learn all you can; then remember what you learn and you will prosper.”**

Proverbs 19:8 (Good News)

#### • THE HABIT OF \_\_\_\_\_.

**“Put these abilities to work; throw yourself into your tasks so everyone may notice your improvement and progress.”**

1 Timothy 4:15 (Living Bible)

**“The quality of each man's work will be seen when the day of Christ exposes it...the fire will test it and show its real quality. If (it) survives, he will receive a reward, but if it burns up, he will lose it...”**

1 Corinthians 3:13-15 (GN)

Small group assignment: Take 3x5 cards and write a personal goal on one side and a biblical promise on the backside that backs up that goal. Review it several times a day by stating it in the first person.