

Encouragement from a man getting disciplined!

Recently a highly successful but incredibly humble Christian businessman mentioned how Darin's discipleship with him has impacted his life. *We often wonder how the LORD uses us in another person's growth and appreciate once in a while seeing or hearing something that shows how God's Word doesn't return empty when we use Scripture (Isaiah 55:11 below!).*

"so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it." ESV

This man, whom we'll call by his initials RA, has other men that he disciplines. When RA goes for discipleship time with others, he said he uses exactly what he's learned from getting disciplined by Darin, even though he initially wondered about the method used. In particular, whenever he'll bring up tough questions or issues, he's noticed that Darin will ask him to look up Scripture that addresses the matter. This method's benefit proved so helpful over time, that RA began doing the same thing with his guys' questions in life.

After a lot of time in discipleship this way, RA says that **2 things specifically** stand out:

- 1) **Darin consistently turns to the Bible for input and answers in discipling others;**
- 2) **Darin teaches men to use their phone to find Scripture that relates to their lives.**

Regarding the second item, RA has a Bible app on his phone now. He can immediately go to this source when sharing God's Word with others. Darin even teaches men to use google searches to find Scripture (try searching for "stress Bible"). It has encouraged us greatly to see the difference in RA's life as he lives out what he's learned. 2 Timothy 2:2!

During the year everyone receiving this gets prayed for still by name at least once for each letter, so please request prayers about anything going on or others you know with needs whenever you'd like to have something special offered.

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