

# GETTING THE MOST OUT OF YOUR INTERNSHIP: 7 THINGS TO CONSIDER

## I. WHY INTERNSHIPS ARE IMPORTANT

- A.
- B.
- C.

## II. CHOOSING AN INTERNSHIP:

- A. Don't let \_\_\_\_\_ dictate your Internship.
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*After hosting 28 Internships . . . my best advice to aspiring Interns*

## III. MAXIMIZING YOUR INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

### A. Lessons from Eli and Samuel... Elijah and Elisha

- 1. Listen
- 2. Observe
- 3. Process
- 4. Risk and Grow

### B. Objectives

- 1. Confirm your \_\_\_\_\_ and your \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. Seek to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ your weaknesses

## IV. Common Mistakes

- A. Only pursuing ministry opportunities related to your spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Inability to Biblically handle \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Mistaking your personal expectations for \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. Extreme fear of \_\_\_\_\_.

## V. Seek to Improve these important Skills

- A. How well do you (really) listen?
- B. How well do you formulate, ask, hear answers to... questions
- C. Managing stress... time... finances... time with God

**VI. Pay Special Attention to:**

- A. Your habits, whether good or bad or in between**
- B. Your insecurities**
- C. Your pride- we all have it, fight it, excuse it, need to surrender**
- D. Sometimes the 'hurts' we experience in ministry is no more than wounded pride!**

*After 44 years of hosting Interns (from 6 weeks to 16 months), my best ones had this in common...*

1. *Were \_\_\_\_\_*
2. *Had a good sense of \_\_\_\_\_*
3. *Would readily be \_\_\_\_\_*
4. *Would not have to be with me every minute, but discovered opportunity (semi-independent)*
5. *Were \_\_\_\_\_ servants, even when \_\_\_\_\_. (I valued this very highly)*
6. *Were never \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.*
7. *Exemplified the heart of a \_\_\_\_\_.*
8. *Valued spending time with my \_\_\_\_\_, and in my \_\_\_\_\_ / A different classroom.*