

Is Consistency Important for the Christian?

Ask any motivational life coach if consistency is important for success and you'll get an astounding "Yes!". To be consistent means to fully dedicate yourself completely to a task, activity or goal. It means to fully stay engaged without distraction. Consistency requires that one commits to a sustained effort of action over the long-term. They say that in order to be consistent in life, one must build habits and rituals that keep one focused on the goal set before them. Now that we've established what it means to be consistent, let's apply it to our spiritual lives.

After a study of the scriptures, it isn't long before we will realize that God wants us to not only be committed to Him, but be consistent as well. Notice what the scriptures have to say:

- Be Consistent in Your Faith (Colossians 2:5)
- Be Consistent in Your Prayer (1 Thessalonians 5:17)
- Be Consistent in Your Hope (1 Thessalonians 2:19)
- Be Consistent in Your Bible Study (Acts 17:11; Timothy 2:15)
- Be Consistent in Your Worship Attendance (John 4:23-24; Hebrews 10:24-25)
- Be Consistent in Your Good Works (Galatians 6:9-10)
- Be Consistent in Your Love for Each Other (1 Peter 4:8; 1 John 4:11)

It's easy to see that consistency is indeed important to the Christian. Are you lacking consistency in your spiritual life? Through prayer, personal commitment and support from your church family, you can become more consistent in your service to the Lord.

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