

## Discipleship Basics – Passing the Mantle – Part 2

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### The Mentor or Discipler must be committed.

1. Be committed to a person... not a project... not a duty.
  - Keep his/her best interests in mind.
  - Actively value him/her.

This requires our diligence!

2. Be committed to a process.
  - Assess the present reality of the disciple/protégé.
  - Identify the incremental steps needed yet understand the big picture of his/her life.

This requires our discernment!

3. Be committed to a purpose.
  - Recognize God's pattern with us. Phil. 1:6
  - Define the end goal with your disciple/protégé.

This requires our determination!

### The Mentor or Discipler must gain authority to speak.

1. Gaining this authority does not come easily or naturally.
2. To have authority means to carry "influence" with another.
3. How does one earn deep influence in a disciple's life? First, think of the influential people in your past. Secondly, try to identify how they gained influence in your life.

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### Tools for Gaining Influence with a Disciple/Protégé

- I - INVEST in the person.
- N - Be NATURAL with the person.
- F - Have FAITH in the person
- L - LISTEN attentively to the person.
- U - Be UNDERSTANDING of the person's life/situation
- E - Give ENCOURAGEMENT to the person regularly.
- N- NAVIGATE willingly for the person when needed.
- C - Display CONCERN for the person
- E - Display ENTHUSIASM over the person