# FINDING WHOLENESS IN HOLINESS: "Growing in Wholeness"

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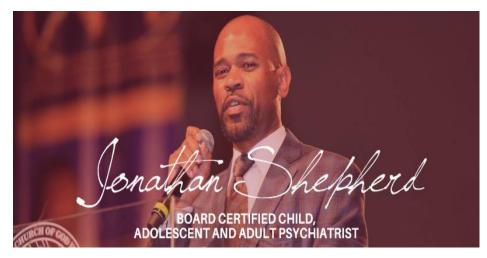
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# **Expectations:**

- Dissect the phrase, "healthy is holy."
- Discuss the positive effects of living holistically.
- Introduce steps to move from stability to wholeness.

"Being out of balance means that your true self will start to be confused with what you pretend to be."

(Catherine Pulsifer)

# Let's Discuss:

Myths about believers and wholeness

- Wholeness: a complete amount or sum; totality lacking no part, member, or element. A coherent system or organization of parts fitting or working together as one.
- Whole: free of defect or impairment (intact). Mentally or emotionally sound

## 3 Part Nature of Man:

(I Thessalonians 5:23)

- 1. Spirit: the part of man that connects with God
- 2. <u>Soul:</u> mind, will, emotions
- 3. Body: fleshy part of man
- S.I.P. and S.E.E. = God is concerned about our Spiritual, Intellectual, Physical, Social, Economical, and Emotional well-being

# Requirements for Growth:

- 1. Diet / Fuel Source
- 2. Discomfort
- 3. Discipline, especially during the lag time.

Biblical Reference: Luke 2:51-52.

## MENTAL HEALTH is:

 "A state of well-being where every individual realizes his or her own <u>potential</u>, can <u>cope</u> with the normal stresses of life, can <u>work</u> productively and fruitfully, and is able to make a <u>contribution</u> to his or her community." (World Health Organization)

• <u>P.C.W.C</u> = Potential, Cope, Work, and Contribution

## PRESSURE POINTS:

#### (Factors impairing wholeness)

1. Stress

5. Anxiety

2. Loss and Grief

6. Trauma

- 3. Declining Mental & Physical Skills
- 7. Addiction

4. Burn-out

8. Major Depression

## REFLECTION EXERCISE:

- Reflect on the day and season you were called into the ministry and / or profession.
- Describe what ignites your passion for that ministry / profession.
- Hebrews 1:7—We as ministers of the Gospel are called to be "flames of fire"

## **BURNOUT:**

- Exhaustion of physical or emotional strength or motivation usually as a result of prolonged stress or frustration
- Burnout occurs when <u>passionate</u>, <u>committed</u> people become <u>deeply disillusioned</u> with a job or career from which they have previously derived much of their identity and meaning.
- It comes as the things that inspire passion and enthusiasm are stripped away, and tedious or unpleasant things crowd in.

## The Effects of Exhaustion:

**Neglect Wholeness** 



**Observe Wholeness** 



## Common Burnout Symptoms:

- Exhaustion
- Lack of Energy
- Constant Fatigue
- Sleep Disorders

- Reduced performance
- Concentration and Memory Problems
- Inability to Make Decisions
- Reduced Initiative and Imagination

#### From stability to wholeness: 10 steps

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Relaxation Breathing
- 3. Use Your "Shower Time"
- 4. Prioritize Exercise / Physical Movement
- 5. Maintain Proper Sleep Schedule
- 6. Eat Healthy as often as you can
- 7. Stay Socially Connected
- 8. Practice Kindness
- 9. Get Things Done
- 10. Take Breaks from News

# Follow-up Exercises:

- Put demands on your leaders: request opportunities for emotional and mental health training
- Develop, teach, and listen to sermons and Bible studies on mental health topics
- Read / increase your knowledge base about your emotional intelligence, identity, and human behavior

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