HOW DO WE DEVELOP INTEGRITY ETHICALLY?

1. Examples!

1 Corinthians 4:16 Wherefore I beseech you, be ye followers (μιμηταί) of me.

1 Corinthians 11:1 Be ye followers (Μιμηταί) of me, even as I also am of Christ.

<u>1 Thessalonians 1:6</u> And ye became **followers** (μιμηταί) of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost:

<u>1 Thessalonians 2:14</u> For ye, brethren, became **followers (μιμηταί)** of the churches of God which in Judaea are in Christ Jesus: for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they have of the Jews:

<u>2 Thessalonians 3:7</u> For yourselves know how **ye ought to follow (δεῖ μιμεῖσθαι ἡμᾶς) us:** for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you;

2 Thessalonians 3:9 Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow (μιμεῖσθαι) us.

Philippians 3:17 Brethren, be followers together (Συμμιμηταί) of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.

Hebrews 6:12 That ye be not slothful, but followers (μμηταί) of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Hebrews 13:7 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow (μμεῖσθε), considering the end of their conversation.

Our senses are formed by the imagination:

How we imagine!

What we imagine!

2. Exposure!

Examples:

What does this mean for us?

- **Limit some exposure**
- **Eliminate some exposure**
- > Intentionally choose as much exposure as we can
- > Maximize good exposure
- Minimize bad exposure

Proverbs 25:17 Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; Lest he be weary of thee, and so hate thee.

The bombardment is constant, intense, & pervasive due to social media.

3. Exhortation | encouragement!

Proverbs 17:17 A friend loveth at all times, And a brother is born for adversity.

Proverbs 18:24 A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: And there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

Proverbs 27:17 Iron sharpeneth iron; So a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

Hebrews 3:13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

<u>Hebrews 10:25</u> Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

"You will be the same 5 years from today except for the people you meet and the books you read!"

- 2 Samuel 13:1 And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her. 2 Samuel 13:2 And Amnon was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she was a virgin; and Amnon thought it hard for him to do any thing to her.
- <u>2 Samuel 13:3</u> **But Amnon had a friend**, whose name was Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother: and <u>Jonadab</u> was a very subtil man.
- <u>2 Samuel 13:4</u> And he said unto him, <u>Why</u> art thou, being the king's son, lean from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? **And Amnon said unto him**, I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.
- 2 Samuel 13:5 And Jonadab said unto him, Lay thee down on thy bed, and make thyself sick: and when thy father cometh to see thee, say unto him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me meat, and dress the meat in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it at her hand. 2 Samuel 13:6 So Amnon lay down, and made himself sick: and when the king was come to see him, Amnon said unto the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand.
- 2 Samuel 13:7 Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother Amnon's house, and dress him meat.
- <u>2 Samuel 13:8</u> So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down. And she took flour, and kneaded it, and made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes. <u>2 Samuel 13:9</u> And she took a pan, and poured them out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, Have out all men from me. And they went out every man from him. <u>2 Samuel 13:10</u> And Amnon said unto Tamar, Bring the meat into the chamber, that I may eat of thine hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought them into the chamber to Amnon her brother. <u>2 Samuel 13:11</u> And when she had brought them unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her, Come lie with me, my sister.
- <u>2 Samuel 13:12</u> And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do <u>not</u> force me; for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly. <u>2 Samuel 13:13</u> And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou shalt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee, speak unto the king; for he will not withhold me from thee.
- 2 Samuel 13:14 Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.
- <u>2 Samuel 13:15</u> Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred wherewith he hated her was greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, Arise, be gone. <u>2 Samuel 13:16</u> And she said unto him, There is no cause: this evil in sending me away is greater than the other that thou didst unto me. But he would not hearken unto her. <u>2 Samuel 13:17</u> Then he called his servant that ministered unto him, and said, Put now this woman out from me, and bolt the door after her. <u>2 Samuel 13:18</u> And she had a garment of divers colours upon her: for with such robes were the king's daughters that were virgins apparelled. Then his servant brought her out, and bolted the door after her. <u>2 Samuel 13:19</u> And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers colours that was on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.
- <u>2 Samuel 13:20</u> And Absalom her brother said unto her, Hath Amnon thy brother been with thee? but hold now thy peace, my sister: he is thy brother; regard not this thing. So Tamar remained desolate in her brother Absalom's house.
- 2 Samuel 13:21 But when king David heard of all these things, he was very wroth.
- <u>2 Samuel 13:22</u> And Absalom spake unto his brother Amnon <u>neither</u> good <u>nor</u> bad: for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.
- 2 Samuel 13:23 And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had sheepshearers in Baal-hazor, which is beside Ephraim: and Absalom invited all the king's sons. 2 Samuel 13:24 And Absalom came to the king, and said, Behold now, thy servant hath sheepshearers; let the king, I beseech thee, and his servants go with thy servant. 2 Samuel 13:25 And the king said to Absalom, Nay, my son, let us not all now go, lest we be chargeable unto thee. And he pressed him: howbeit he would not go, but blessed him. 2 Samuel 13:26 Then said Absalom, If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon go with us. And the king said unto him, Why should he go with thee?
- **2 Samuel 13:27** But Absalom pressed him, that he let Amnon and all the king's sons go with him. **2 Samuel 13:28** Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say unto you, Smite Amnon; then kill him, fear not: have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be valiant. **2 Samuel 13:29** And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and every man gat him up upon his mule, and fled. **2 Samuel 13:30** And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that tidings came to David, saying, Absalom hath slain all the king's sons, and there is not one of them left. **2 Samuel 13:31** Then the king arose, and tare his garments, and lay on the earth; and all his servants stood by with their clothes rent.
- <u>2 Samuel 13:32</u> And Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother, answered and said, Let not my lord suppose that they have slain all the young men the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead: <u>for</u> by the appointment of Absalom this hath been determined from the day that he forced his sister Tamar. <u>2 Samuel 13:33</u> Now therefore let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to think that all the king's sons are dead: for Amnon only is dead.

2 Samuel 13:34 But Absalom fled. And the young man that kept the watch lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came much people by the way of the hill side behind him. 2 Samuel 13:35 And Jonadab said unto the king, Behold, the king's sons come: as thy servant said, so it is. 2 Samuel 13:36 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of speaking, that, behold, the king's sons came, and lifted up their voice and wept: and the king also and all his servants wept very sore. 2 Samuel 13:37 But Absalom fled, and went to Talmai, the son of Ammihud, king of Geshur. And David mourned for his son every day. 2 Samuel 13:38 So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years. 2 Samuel 13:39 And the soul of king David longed to go forth unto Absalom: for he was comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.

4. Experience | use!

Hebrews 5:11 Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing. Hebrews 5:12 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk (γάλακτος), and not of strong meat (στερεᾶς τροφῆς). Hebrews 5:13 For every one that useth milk (γάλακτος) is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe (νήπιος). Hebrews 5:14 But strong meat (ἡ στερεὰ τροφή) belongeth to them that are of full age (Τελείων), even those who by reason of use (τὴν ἕξιν) have their senses exercised to discern both good (καλοῦ) and evil (κακοῦ).

Ethics are hammered out in the battles of the day-to-day!

<u>Genesis 39:1</u> And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither. <u>Genesis 39:2</u> And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

Genesis 39:3 And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand. Genesis 39:4 And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand.

Genesis 39:5 And it came to pass from the time that he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field. Genesis 39:6 And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was a goodly person, and well favoured.

Genesis 39:7 And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, <u>Lie with</u> me.

<u>Genesis 39:8</u> <u>But he refused</u>, and said unto his master's wife, **Behold**, **my master** wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand;

<u>Genesis 39:9</u> There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? <u>Genesis 39:10</u> And it came to pass, as she <u>spake</u> to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, or to be with her.

<u>Genesis 39:11</u> And it came to pass about this time, that Joseph went into the house to do his business; and there was none of the men of the house there within. <u>Genesis 39:12</u> And she caught him by his garment, saying, <u>Lie with me</u>: and he <u>left</u> his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

Genesis 39:13 And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth,

Genesis 39:14 That she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, See, he hath brought in an Hebrew unto us to mock us; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice: Genesis 39:15 And it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled, and got him out.

<u>Genesis 39:16</u> And she laid up his garment by her, <u>until</u> his lord came home. <u>Genesis 39:17</u> And she spake unto him according to these words, saying, <u>The Hebrew servant</u>, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me: <u>Genesis 39:18</u> And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out.

<u>Genesis 39:19</u> And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me; that his wrath was kindled.

<u>Genesis 39:20</u> And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners were bound: and he was there in the prison.

Genesis 39:21 But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

- <u>2 Samuel 11:1</u> And it came to pass, after the year was expired, at the time when kings go forth to battle, <u>that</u> David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried still at Jerusalem.
- <u>2 Samuel 11:2</u> And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: <u>and</u> from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the woman was very beautiful to look upon. <u>2 Samuel 11:3</u> And David sent and inquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bath-sheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite? <u>2</u>

<u>Samuel 11:4</u> And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and he lay with her; for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.

- 2 Samuel 11:5 And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I am with child.
- 2 Samuel 11:6 And David sent to Joab, saying, Send me Uriah the Hittite. And Joab sent Uriah to David. 2 Samuel 11:7 And when Uriah was come unto him, David demanded of him how Joab did, and how the people did, and how the war prospered. 2 Samuel 11:8 And David said to Uriah, Go down to thy house, and wash thy feet. And Uriah departed out of the king's house, and there followed him a mess of meat from the king. 2 Samuel 11:9 But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house.
- **<u>2 Samuel 11:10</u>** And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto his house, David said unto Uriah, Camest thou not from thy journey? why then didst thou not go down unto thine house?
- <u>2 Samuel 11:11</u> And Uriah said unto David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in tents; and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open fields; shall I then go into mine house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? **as thou livest, and as thy soul liveth, I will not do this thing.**
- 2 Samuel 11:12 And David said to Uriah, Tarry here to day also, and to morrow I will let thee depart. So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day, and the morrow. 2 Samuel 11:13 And when David had called him, he did eat and drink before him; and he made him drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, but went not down to his house. 2 Samuel 11:14 And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. 2 Samuel 11:15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may be smitten, and die.

 2 Samuel 11:16 And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he assigned Uriah unto a place where he knew that valiant men were. 2 Samuel 11:17 And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell some of the people of the servants of David; and Uriah the Hittite died also. 2 Samuel 11:18 Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war; 2 Samuel 11:19 And charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end of telling the matters of the war unto the king, 2 Samuel 11:20 And if so be that the king's wrath arise, and he say unto thee, Wherefore approached ye so nigh unto the city when ye did fight? knew ye not that they would shoot from the wall? 2 Samuel 11:21 Who smote Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast a piece of a millstone upon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall? then say thou, Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also. 2 Samuel 11:22 So the messenger went, and came and shewed David all that Joab had sent him for. 2 Samuel 11:23 And the messenger said unto David, Surely the men prevailed against us, and came out unto us into the field, and we were upon them even unto the entering of the gate.
- 2 Samuel 11:24 And the shooters shot from off the wall upon thy servants; and some of the king's servants be dead, and thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also. 2 Samuel 11:25 Then David said unto the messenger, Thus shalt thou say unto Joab, Let not this thing displease thee, for the sword devoureth one as well as another: make thy battle more strong against the city, and overthrow it: and encourage thou him.
- 2 Samuel 11:26 And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband. 2 Samuel 11:27 And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD.

<u>Daniel 1:5</u> And the king appointed them a daily provision of the king's meat, and of the wine which he drank: so nourishing them three years, that at the end thereof they might stand before the king. <u>Daniel 1:6</u> Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: <u>Daniel 1:7</u> Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel the name of Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abed-nego. <u>Daniel 1:8</u> But **Daniel purposed in his heart** that he would <u>not</u> defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

<u>Daniel 3:1</u> Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon. <u>Daniel 3:2</u> Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellers, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up. <u>Daniel 3:3</u> Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellers, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. <u>Daniel 3:4</u> Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages, <u>Daniel 3:5</u> That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up: <u>Daniel 3:6</u> And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. <u>Daniel 3:7</u> Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

<u>Daniel 3:8</u> Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and accused the Jews.

<u>Daniel 3:13</u> Then Nebuchadnezzar in his rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. Then they brought these men before the king. <u>Daniel 3:14</u> Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, <u>Is it true</u>, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-

nego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up? <u>Daniel 3:15</u> Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; well: but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?

<u>Daniel 3:16</u> Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. <u>Daniel 3:17</u> If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. <u>Daniel 3:18</u> But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

<u>Daniel 6:1</u> It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom an hundred and twenty princes, which should be over the whole kingdom; <u>Daniel 6:2</u> And over these three presidents; of whom Daniel was first: that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

<u>Daniel 6:3</u> Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm. <u>Daniel 6:4</u> Then the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him. <u>Daniel 6:5</u> Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find it against him concerning the law of his God. <u>Daniel 6:6</u> Then these presidents and princes assembled together to the king, and said thus unto him, King Darius, live for ever. <u>Daniel 6:7</u> All the presidents of the kingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellers, and the captains, have consulted together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions. <u>Daniel 6:8</u> Now, O king, establish the decree, and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not. <u>Daniel 6:9</u> Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.

<u>Daniel 6:10</u> Now **when** Daniel knew that the writing was signed, <u>he went</u> into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, <u>he kneeled</u> upon his knees three times a day, and <u>prayed</u>, and <u>gave thanks</u> before his God, **as he did aforetime.**