

INITIATIVE vs. Idleness

Recognizing and doing what needs to be done without being asked.

I choose to

- Do what is right before being told.
- Not put off until later what I can do now.
- Do my part for the team.
- Be a part of the solution rather than the problem.
- Look for ways to help others.



Initiative in the home includes:

- * Willingly seeing and doing jobs around the house that need to be completed.
- * Family members balancing patience and dependability to be responsible and contribute to the success of the whole team
- * To plan, calculate, invent and imagine.
- * Initiative is required to carry out every other character quality.

Personal Evaluation

How much initiative do you have?

Do you show initiative by rising early to seek the Lord and read His Word?

Do you show initiative asking forgiveness when you are wrong?

Do you participate in other initiatives to do good works?

Do you exemplify initiative by keeping your home and car in good repair?

Idleness is the ground in which every form of evil takes root.



Great flocks of wild budgerigars abound in the interior of Australia. To ensure successful survival, male budgerigars must step up and become leaders in the flock, while the whole group must relate in harmony through initiative.

The Benefits of Initiative

CONSIDERING OTHERS - A person who shows initiative will demonstrate to others around them that they care.

INWARD MOTIVATION - They will cultivate a life of motivation being willing to step out and do what is right without having to be reminded.

Great leaders learn discernment for wise initiatives on the back side of the desert.