

Title: A Very Sustainable Resource - You!

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Summary: Creating and maintaining a personal website is far simpler than for a church or ministry, or any organization, for that matter. Even when you are a leader, it is often times harsher than you expect or imagine. When you start to feel overwhelmed, it is time to gather yourself and gain some new perspectives for your situation. This article offers your leaders for a sustainable ministry solution.

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Using sustainable resources is getting a lot of attention these days. Bamboo is touted as a sustainable resource, serving as raw materials for flooring, siding, furniture, and clothing. What thoughts occur to you as you look at the picture of a man in a bamboo forest?

As someone involved in the web, you are already having an impact on your community out online instead of through printed materials. But what about you? You have considered your sustainability? What would happen to your church or ministry if you were gone by a bus tomorrow?

Many Christian webmasters operate with few other resources. Most have taken on the challenge of creating and maintaining a website for their church, and they may have inherited it from a previous leader. The day-to-day tasks of web ministry quickly become a burden, especially if you are also compelled to champion opportunities to other leaders. How do you establish a healthy rhythm between your desire to bring the good news of salvation to people on the Internet and the reality that you need to be aware of and address some deep issues, but, you don't need to. There are several sides to sustainability, and this article addresses the 'bus factor'. What happens when you're not available? What do you do? Does anyone else know what you really do and how you accomplish it? It is not much your fault as theirs. Even if you haven't documented how you do everything, you at least have a list of tasks you complete and how often they are done. I also determine roles for your web ministry, dividing the work among many workers and volunteers, clearly define how they contribute to the overall goals of your web ministry. Sustainability also comes through discipleship. God has given each of us gifts to be used for his glory. He also has sent us out into the world, but not alone. As disciples, he sent them out, not as individuals, but two by two. (Mark 6:7) We have talents so we can connect with other people and share with them in our journey, not just to please or amuse ourselves. So, who is with you on your journey? Another of the spiritual aspects of sustainability is driven by passion and gifts. With talents, do you find yourself without enough time for everything? Did Jesus die that day because he was tired? I think not! It was to give us an example for our lives.

the work that needs doing, take time to pause, reflect and recognize that God's gifts is good. Connect with other Christian webmasters in your are successes, encourage each other and equip new Christian webmasters fo If you find yourself on the leading edge of the online ministry for your ch called, not just to complete tasks, but also to lead others in this. You m but God has other plans for you. He gives to each, according to their abi is to lead and you cannot lead without followers. Cultivate a core group follow God's lead.

To become sustainable, you will move through several phases of us get stuck in this **Model**, you do it and someone else with you, do it and you are with them, **Mentor** they do it themselves, you provide feedback **Multiply** encourage (they do it and someone else is with them)*. This is discipleship in action additional time deepening your relationship with God and with those com states *Developing the Leaders- Around You* success without a successor.' **If you want to learn more about this concept, please see, [Discipleship - Developing the Leaders Around You](#).*