

Initiative

**The ability to originate or follow through with a plan of action or task
(Webster)**

**“Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is
God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”**

I Thessalonians 5:16-18

Without initiative, we would never accomplish even the smallest goals. Without initiative, a baby would never take his first step. The only question is how much initiative do you have? Do you settle for what comes to you and do you reach out beyond what is right there? Life requires initiative. Sports require initiative. If you feel you are good enough not to need practice, there is someone out there with enough initiative to practice hard enough to take your position.

Take initiative in your own relationship with Christ. The best way to understand is to study and learn. You can do this in Sunday School, church, prayer and by reading your Bible.

Take initiative in the Christian development of others. Tell a friend how important your relationship with Christ is. Invite him/her to visit your church.

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