

Mentoring Debriefing

For anyone in a mentoring relationship with a student, you must realize that the time in between your meetings can be just as powerful as your actual meetings. To maximize this time, consider the following questions so you can fully process everything your mentee has told you. Take some time to go through the questions and spend some quality time in prayer for your mentee.

1. Is there anything your mentee said that you want or need to remember, or something you need to follow-up on?
2. What is your mentee struggling with right now?
3. What is his or her greatest need?
4. What are some things to pray about? This can either be specific requests he or she shared with you, or things you feel burdened to pray about.
5. How do you see God at work in and through your mentee?
6. What is one area of growth or strength that you see in your mentee? How could you communicate that to him or her in the next week?

Also, before your next meeting make at least one contact with your mentee: send an email, make a phone call, do something together, write a note. This could take as little as five minutes, but each contact goes a long way in demonstrating to your mentee that you genuinely care.