

Commitment

Reflection

What was the most complicated task we ever accomplished? At any point while we were doing it, did we ever think of giving up? Why or why not?

Inspiration from the Holy Bible

"Build a large boat from cypress wood and waterproof it with tar, inside and out. Then construct decks and stalls throughout its Interior. Make the boat 450 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 45 feet high. Leave an 18-inch opening below the roof all the way around the boat. Put the door on the side, and build three decks inside the boat - lower, middle, and upper. Bring a pair of every kind of animal - a male and a female - into the boat with you to keep them alive during the flood. Pairs of every kind of bird, and every kind of animal, and every kind of small animal that scurries along the ground, will come to you to be kept alive. And be sure to take on board enough food for your family and for all the animals." So Noah did everything exactly as God had Commanded him. (Genesis 6:14-16,19-22)

Inspiration from the Holy Qur'an

"Yea, whoever fulfills his promise and guards (against evil) - then surely Allah loves those who guard (against evil). (As for) those who take a small price for the Covenant of Allah and their own oaths surely they shall have no portion in the hereafter, and Allah will not speak to them, nor will He look upon them on the Day of Resurrection nor will He purify them, and they shall have a painful chastisement." (Surah Ali Imran 3:76-77)

"O you who believe! Fulfil the obligations." (Surah Al-Ma'ida 5:1)

Hadith

Abu Huraira (RA) reported: The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "Among the signs of a hypocrite are three, even if he fasts and prays and claims to be a Muslim: when he speaks he lies, when he gives a promise he breaks it, and when he is trusted he betrays." (Sahih Bukhari)

How do we show our commitment?

- a. Never give up. Like Noah in the Bible, to whom God gave a detailed set of instructions on how to build and fill up the ark with all sorts of animals, we may have been assigned complicated tasks which test our patience and skills. Even so, we must focus on our goals as law enforcers, and not get tired of doing what is good and right.

So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. (Galatians 6:9)

- b. Be consistent. Even when a crisis comes, we must stay the course and do what we swore to do to serve and protect. Even Daniel, the wise interpreter of dreams in the Bible, continued his routine of praying to God three times a day even when he was told that those who did not pray to the king would be thrown into a den of lions.

But when Daniel learned that the law had been signed, he went home and knelt down as usual in his upstairs room, with its windows open toward Jerusalem. He prayed three times a day, just as he had always done, giving thanks to his God. (Daniel 6:1-10)

- c. Always uphold what the PNP stands for to be a highly capable, effective and credible police service which attains, in every community it serves, a safer place in which to live, work and do business.

I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

Challenge

What is our most significant learning today?
How will we apply it to our own life?

Prayer

Praise God for His goodness and grace in our life.

Ask forgiveness for our sins. Thank Him for the blessings we have received. If we have any prayer requests, let us pray for one another.

We end the meeting with this declaration of faith: Because You are our shepherd, Lord, we shall not lack anything. You provide for our every need and satisfy our desires with Your goodness. You restore our souls and lead us in paths of righteousness. Even though we experience troubles in life, we will not fear because You are with us.