# Is this a part of your disaster recovery plan?

There's an important place for prayer, but not here.  A proper approach to DR planning involves five key elements; Analyzing Expectations, Engineering Solutions, Implementing Plans, Systematic Testing, and Clear Documentation.

## *Having faith in your Disaster Recovery Plan is a result of ........*

**Analyzing Expectations**
Not every system needs disaster recovery.  We work to understand what's really important to operations (communications, finance, file access) and then examine expected timeframes for recovery (how fast, how long can the network rely on remote back-up).  Then we have a conversation to measure critical business needs versus the realistic costs of the DR solution.

**Engineering Solutions**
Designing a DR plan is not as easy as drawing up a flow chart.  We ask the important questions to determine if current hardware and software capabilities can support disaster recovery, and if the DR remote site has issues (like power or connectivity) that might impact the design.  The engineered architecture will include a DR roadmap and alternative solutions to insure that the plan works as designed.

**Implementing Plans**
Once approved, VertitechIT engineers will work to configure hardware to back up and replicate as designed, and configure software to seamlessly support disaster recovery at the desktop level.

**Systematic Testing**
Our DR testing process is designed to work within a client's schedule, not ours, systematically assessing small portions of the plan (rather than the entire data center) to assure that back-up and recovery is accomplished as designed, with minimal impact on business operations.  Once success is achieved, the entire system is put through the complete DR process.

**Clear Documentation**
When complete, we deliver a clear and easy to understand disaster recovery playbook, providing for step-by-step disaster recovery procedures.

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