

Completing the Task

Mat. 25:14-30

Luke 19:11-27

Doing the Will of God

What will you do?

Mat. 7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Hebrews 10:36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

John 4:36 And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.

37 And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth.

38 I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours.

The sermon is only the means to the end.

Fleshly motivation will not produce faithfulness that will finish the task.

The Task must be Identified

Ch/Sc attendance Study the bible Tithing and offering Fasting Helps
Witnessing Prayer

Is the Message desired?

Is it only oratory? Oration, to be heard just for an hour is a fault,

Is God's Purpose of the Message understood and followed through with?

Do we have a fresh Revelation of who He is and what He wants?

Once a Laborer but now he was a slothful servant.

Once a faithful servant but now Self serving, (serving his own mind and flesh)

Once a Pure Clear vision but now a Perverted vision

Accused His Master of being Unjust, Unfaithful and Unmerciful.

- being hard, reaping and gathering---blaming God for their fruitlessness.
- (You expect too much of me) No, You can't out give God. You can't obey God and not be added to.

Gen. 22:12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.

Psalms 84:11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

Mat .25:24 Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an **hard** man, **reaping** where thou hast not sown, and **gathering** where thou hast not strawed:

Luke 19:21 For I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou **takest up** that thou layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow.

- I. God doesn't demand more than what He gives when you understand how He works. The Lord adds to your faith every time you exercise your faith.

2Peter 1:5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

- II. God wants you to use what He is giving you for His honor and His Glory.

Acts 13:36 For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:

William Carey said it is my business to win souls for Jesus.

The most glorious works of grace that have ever took place, have been in answer to prayer; and it is in this way, we have the greatest reason to suppose, that the glorious out-pouring of the Spirit, which we expect at last, will be bestowed."

"Is not the commission of our Lord still binding upon us? Can we not do more than now we are doing?"

"I believe that in each generation God has called enough men and women to evangelize all the yet unreached tribes of the earth. It is not God who does not call. It is man who will not respond!" -- **Isobel Kuhn**, missionary to China and Thailand

Pride

Prejudice

Preoccupied with a purpose, driven by the flesh, or the world.

Job 33:17 That he may withdraw man from his purpose, and hide pride from man.

Proverbs 19:21 There are many devices (Purpose, plan, thoughts) in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that shall stand.

Proverbs 8:13 The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

Psalms 10:4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.

1John 2:16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

III. God wants you to see His Grace with fresh Revelation **A Brand new Revelation of the Lord, God is Gracious**

Job 33:24 Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom.

- This is new insight that is given, that God permits suffering so to keep us from sin. (pride) Job 33:17

Ge 20:6 And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.

Tit 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

2Co 12:7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

Job 33:31 Mark well, O Job, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I will speak.

32 If thou hast any thing to say, answer me: speak, for I desire to justify thee.
33 If not, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisdom.

- God has provided a Ransom. Job33:24

Mt 20:28 Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Mr 10:45 For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

1Ti 2:6 Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

- God makes new creatures. II Cor. 5:17 Job 33:4

Job 33:25 His flesh shall be fresher than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth:

- God answers prayer.

Ps 50:15 And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

Job 33:26 **He shall pray unto God**, and he will be favourable unto him: and he shall see his face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness.

- God delivers Isa 38:17

Job 33:28 He will **deliver** his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.

Job 33:24 Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, **Deliver** him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom.