

The church in Irving

Fellowship Time

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Life Lessons, Lesson Twenty-Three—Serving the Lord

I. The Motive of Serving the Lord

Exo. 21:5 "...I love my master...I will not go out free"

Rom. 12:1 "I exhort you therefore, brothers, through the compassions of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice...which is your reasonable service."

II. The Significance of Serving the Lord

1 Cor. 7:22 "...The free man who has been called is Christ's slave."

Acts 13:2 "And as they were ministering to the Lord and fasting..."

1 Thes. 5:14 "...console the fainthearted, sustain the weak..."

III. How to Serve the Lord

Rom. 12:11 "Do not be slothful in zeal, but be burning in spirit, serving the Lord."

Exo. 21:6 "...And his master shall bore his ear through...and he shall serve him forever."

Matt. 24:45 "Who then is the faithful and prudent slave..."

IV. The Goal of Serving the Lord

Eph. 4:16 "Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love."

V. The Reward for Serving the Lord

John 12:26 "...If anyone serves Me [the Lord Jesus], the Father [God] will honor him."

Matt. 25:21 "His master said to him, Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful over a few things; I will set you over many things. Enter into the joy of your master."

VI. The Punishment for Not Serving the Lord

Luke 12:47 "And that slave who knew his master's will and did not prepare or do according to his will, will receive many lashes."

References

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