

God, Life and Ministry – Part 2

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I. Introduction.

II. God uses men to preach true forgiveness.

A. Men are important.

B. We are important for the ongoing kingdom of God where he has put us.

C. Quiet time, Bible study and Scripture memory are all important for knowing God. (Exodus 33:13; Psalm 27:4; Philippians 3:10; 2 Corinthians 3:18)

1. Holiness is key to knowing Christ.

2. We need to give God our “if-onlys.”

3. We need to give God our “what-ifs.”

4. As we behold Jesus, we trust him. (Matthew 6:30, 33; Proverbs 16:9; 22:3)

III. We are responsible for our stewardship. (1 Corinthians 4:2)

A. To the gospel: we are charged with the ministry of reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:17; James 3:18)

B. Of our gifts and talents. (1 Corinthians 4:7)

C. Of our money. (Deuteronomy 8:18; Ecclesiastes 5:10-11; Proverbs 23:4; 30:8-9)

D. Of our influence. (Psalm 75:6-7)

E. Of our opportunities and time. (Psalm 90:12; Ephesians 5:15-17)

F. Of our spiritual pilgrimage. (1 Peter 1:15-16)

IV. Our lives our vitally important.

A. The life that attracts. (2 Timothy 2; Acts 4:13)

B. The life that recruits. (Matthew 9:9)

C. The life that wins.

D. The life that impacts. (Hebrews 11:4; Revelation 14:13)

E. The life that trains. (Acts 24:16; Philippians 4:9; 1:12-13; 1 Corinthians 11:1; Romans 8:28)

Application questions:

1. How does God use men?

2. What areas of stewardship do you need to better adhere to?

3. How would you evaluate the use of your life for attracting, recruiting, winning, impacting and training? How will you better prepare to make an impact in the place God has put you?
