



1. Avoid _____ (v.7)

Luke 17:7 "Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? **8** Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? **9** Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? **10** So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'" (ESV)

2. Remember _____ (v.8)

3. Take _____ (vv.9-10)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Psalm 46:10**. What are some of the symptoms that God has become "common" in our thinking, or at least that our view of him has become far too casual? Why do you think "stillness" is one of the appropriate means of regaining a high view of God?
2. Read **Luke 18:9-13**. How does your view of yourself tend to shift when your view of God is less than it ought to be? Explain how your sensitivity to your own sin can be a barometer of your view of God.
3. Read **Revelation 1:12-18**. What aspects of the glorified Christ's majesty and authority mentioned in this passage are sometimes overlooked in your mind when you think of Jesus?
4. Read **Romans 12:11** and **1 Thessalonians 1:3**. What aspects of your attitude or mindset need to be adjusted when you consider the work that you do (or ought to do) for the Lord?
5. Read **1 Corinthians 15:58** and **Luke 12:37**. What reaction should we have when we consider that our labor is "not in vain" and that Christ himself will one day reward us for it?

*This Week's
Bible Reading Schedule*

May 14th
2Kgs.9-11 & Jn.5:1-24

May 15th
2Kgs.12-14 & Jn.5:25-47

May 16th
2Kgs.15-17 & Jn.6:1-21

May 17th
2Kgs.18-19 & Jn.6:22-44

May 18th
2Kgs.20-22 & Jn.6:45-71

May 19th
2Kgs.23-25 & Jn.7:1-31

May 20th
1Chr.1-2 & Jn.7:32-53

May 21st
1Chr.3-5 & Jn.8:1-20

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 15-14 – **Workers Who Keep First Things First**
Msg. 13-04 – **The Gospel's Assault on the Egocentric**
Msg. 11-03 – **Sold-Out Servants: Serving without Pride**
Msg. 04-10 – **Prompted by Love: A Lifelong Quest**
Msg. 07-33 – **Sacrifice Instead of Selfishness**
Msg. 12-34 – **Mary: God's Humble Teenager**
Msg. 13-01 – **Priorities in Tension: Learning from the Perfect Twelve-Year-Old**

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Bonhoeffer, Dietrich. **The Cost of Discipleship**. SCM Press Ltd., 1959.
Edwards, Jonathan. **Jonathan Edwards on Knowing Christ**. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1990.
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Mack, Wayne A. **Humility: The Forgotten Virtue**. P & R Publishing, 2005.
Martin, Dale. **Slavery as Salvation: The Metaphor of Slavery in Pauline Christianity**. Yale Press, 1990.
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Scott, Stuart. **From Pride to Humility: A Biblical Perspective**. Focus Publishers, 2003.
Stowell, Joseph. **Perilous Pursuits: Our Obsession with Significance**. Moody Press, 1994.
Swindoll, Charles. **Improving Your Serve: The Art of Unselfish Living**. Thomas Nelson, 1990.
Thoennes, K. Eirk. **Godly Jealousy: A Theology of Intolerant Love**. Christian Focus Publications, 2005.
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