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30 DAY CHALLENGE

PRIORITIZE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

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- COMMITMENT
- PRAYER
- FASTING
- STUDYING

1 DO THIS EACH DAY

2 READ THIS EACH DAY

3 CONSIDER THIS EACH DAY

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WEEK 1 IS ALL ABOUT COMMITMENT

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Study | Understand | Apply | Love | Share

Commitment Week

Mark 12:29-30

And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.

DAY 1 - ALL IN: FULL-TIME COMMITMENT

1 DO THIS

DO THIIS

"Pick a verse from today and put it somewhere you'll see it as a reminder."

2 READ THIS

READ THIS Focus Verses: Mark 12:28-31; Rev. 2:1-5; Col. 1:16-18

3 CONSIDER THIIS

CONSIDER THIIS Is your commitment to God part-time or full-time?

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Matthew 4:19-20
And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. And they straightway left their nets, and followed him.

DAY 2 - START WITH A CHOICE

1 DO THIS

DO THIS

"Ask someone to share about a time they told God yes and what happened."

2 READ THIS

READ THIS Focus Verses: Matt. 4:17-25

3 CONSIDER THIS

CONSIDER THIS

Have you told God yes? What does God want from you now?

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FULL-TIME COMMITMENT TO GOD

Have you ever had a part-time job? It might be easier to fit into your schedule and perhaps more convenient, but it does not bring all the benefits of a full-time position. Many proclaim a relationship with God, or at least desire the benefits of it, but few are willing to be 100% committed to being a full-time follower of Jesus Christ. Now, more than ever, it's time to examine, increase, and demonstrate our commitment

CHRIST IS CERTAINLY COMMITTED

Commitment is about your dedication. Commitment is choosing to be faithful. Commitment means not giving up even when it's hard and starting again if you fail. Commitment is consistently reflected in your priorities. In a relationship, for it to be a real relationship, there has to be commitment from both parties. Thankfully, Jesus has proven time and time again His commitment to us:

1. God manifested Himself in flesh (1 Tim. 3:16; John 1:1, 14; Matt. 1:23) and came to earth to save us from our sins (Matt. 1:21).
2. He didn't just say He was committed; He proved it when He chose to "bare our sins in his own body on the tree" (1 Pet. 2:24; cp. Isa. 53:4-5).

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3. He proved it by shedding His innocent blood, dying for us, so we could be saved, free from sin, able to walk in relationship with Him, and live eternally (1 Tim. 1:15; Rom. 6:16-23; 1 Pet. 3:18; Eph. 2:11-13; John 3:16-18).
4. Then, even though we didn't deserve it, He proved it again by giving us His Word, His Spirit, and His Name so we could be born again and obtain all He died for us to have (1 Pet. 1:22-25; John 3:1-8; Titus 3:3-7; 1 Cor. 6:9-11; 1 Thess. 5:9-10).

We could speak of His love, His promises, His faithfulness, His mercy, His help, His forgiveness, His presence for the next thousand years and still not run out of endless examples and clear proof: Jesus is committed to us!

CHECK YOUR COMMITMENT

Once we reflect on Christ's commitment, and the fact that He died (literally) to make salvation and relationship possible, the questions then have to become personal:

» What is my commitment to God? Where is my commitment level?
» Is my commitment to God reflected in all of my life - school, work, home, church - and all of my interactions with others?
» Am I committed part-time or full-time? Is my commitment evident in public and in private, natu rally and spiritually, in my talk and my walk?
» How can I be more committed? Where can I grow? What areas can I improve in?

Just as most of us are not willing to be in a part-time romantic relationship, where a significant other puts us in third place, says the right words but shows the wrong actions, and asks us to be one of many options in their life, Jesus demands commitment and requires our all.

WHAT DOES GOD WANT?

Jesus taught us, "The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment" (Mark 12:29-30). Notice He did NOT say, love the Lord thy God with HALF of thy heart, 30% of your soul, ¾ of your mind, and what's left of your strength. He said ALL. When we love God (Luke 10:27), seek God (Deut. 4:29), serve God (Deut. 11:13), and turn or return to God (Deut. 30:2, 10), it must be with our ALL.

In Revelation 2:1-5, even though the church of Ephesus worked, laboured, and displayed patience, God still had an issue with them because...

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Ephesians 1:3
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

DAY 3 - HE'S WORTH THIS YES

1 DO THIS

DO THIIS

"Write your top reasons to be more committed to God."

2 READ THIS

READ THIS Focus Verses: 2 Cor. 5:14-15; Eph. 1:3-12

3 CONSIDER THIS

CONSIDER THIIS

How can you be more committed to God this month?

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Revelation 22:12
And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

DAY 4 - TALK IS CHEAP

1 DO THIS

DO THIS

"Track your schedule and time use today. What did you spend the most time doing? Compare it to how much time you spent with God."

2 READ THIS

READ THIS

Focus Verses: Rev. 22:12; James 2:14-20; Rev. 3:15-16; Ecc. 12:13-14

3 CONSIDER THIS

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What works or actions can you change, improve, or continue to show your commitment to God?

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GOD IS WORTH THIS YES: 5 REASONS TO BE MORE COMMITTED

Whatever your commitment level to God was (or wasn't) yesterday, last week, or last year, it is definitely the right time for everyone to be more committed to God. Have you noticed, though, that when you decide to give God more, make a sacrifice, say yes to God, go harder after God, give up "that one thing," or be 100% dedicated, there is usually a fight externally or a battle internally? Still, Jesus is worth it! Here are five reasons to be more committed to God.

1. THE LOVE OF CHRIST

The love of the One that died for you is a love that's worth wholeheartedly living for. 2 Corinthians 5:14–15 says, "For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again." Since He died for us, proving His commitment and saving us from sure death (Rom. 6:23), the love of Christ constraineth or continually compels us to give Him our ALL. This love, a love beyond all others, demands that we no longer live unto ourselves or for our own will, but live fully focused on the One who died for us and rose again. Love motivated Him to die for us; it is a great reason to live for Him.

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2. LIFE MORE ABUNDANTLY

There is nothing like life, true life, in Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:9-10). Though the enemy tries to make sin, distractions, and wrong options look appealing, at the end of the day he is simply a thief who tirelessly steals, kills, and destroys. When we give God a determined yes in our hearts, mouths, and lives, we can benefit from the life the Saviour came to give now and in eternity. And it's not just any life – He said "that they might have it more abundantly." Abundantly is a Greek word (S:4053) that is translated more, beyond measure, and exceeding in the Bible. Have you ever been stressed or uneasy because you didn't give God what He wanted? There is no peace like the peace in the will of God, and no life like the abundant life He gives as we please Him. Stop fighting; just say yes!

3. HIS PURPOSE

God can mightily use for His purpose those who completely commit to Him. Examples abound in scripture and in our lives today. 2 Timothy 1:9 makes clear He "saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began." He has a plan and oftentimes for us to fully walk in the specific purpose He has in mind, we have to be more committed than we currently are. That is why He sends His word and stirs our spirits to give Him more. Paul told Timothy words that we should hold to: "Neglect not the gift that is in thee... Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all" (1 Tim. 4:14-15). Wholly means completely, totally, to the full extent. Do you want to fulfill His purpose for your life in the time you have left on this earth? Step up your commitment.

4. GOD'S GLORY

God wants to get the glory from our lives! He wants to be praised, receive honor, and get the credit! Ephesians 1:3-14 describes how God has blessed, chosen, adopted, accepted, redeemed, forgiven, and sealed us but a phrase keeps coming up in this chapter: "To the praise of the glory of his grace" (v. 6), "That we should be to the praise of his glory" (v. 12), and "unto the praise of his glory" (v. 14). When we allow God to do what He wants to do in us, through us, and for us, He gets the glory because nobody could do it but Him! He is not glorified when we live carnally, selfishly, or slothfully. The results that come from our yes to God's plan and purpose give God glory. The testimonies from staying in His Word, His will, and His way give God glory. From the praises of our mouths and the commitment of our lives, we can give God the glory He deserves.

5. TRUE REWARD

When we are committed to God, He doesn't forget about us! The first time the word "reward" is used in the Bible is in Genesis 15:1. After Abram made a sacrifice (not taking goods offered to him in Gen. 14:21-24), the Word of the LORD came to him in a vision saying, "Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward." The first reward in the Bible and the most important reward for us is HIM! When we say yes, say no, make a sacrifice, give extra, or lose something for God, we get Him, or in the words of Paul...

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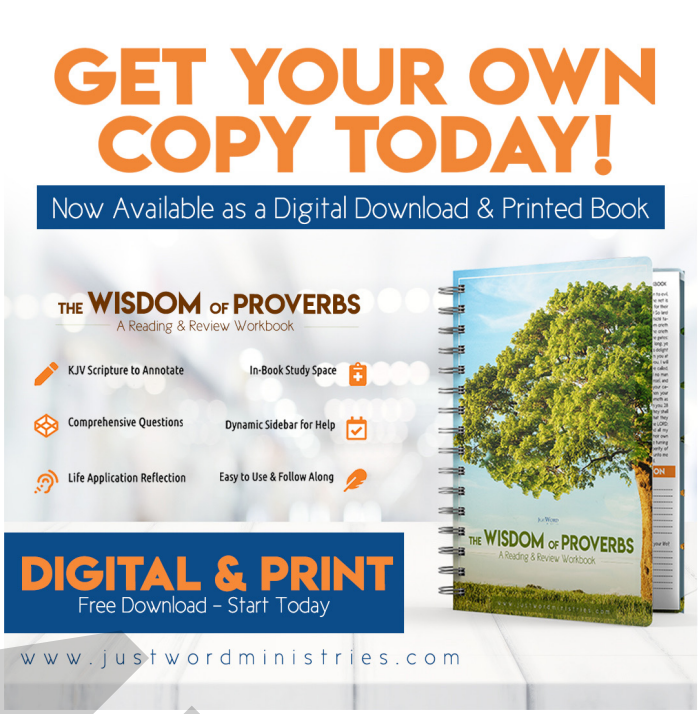

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