

It's not my job!

How many times have you said this to yourself or someone else when asked about doing something? Have you ever said this to someone when asked to do some thing for the church? As a Christian what is your job? Is it your job to be at the worship service on just Sunday morning? John 4:23-24 states "But the hour cometh, and not is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." Is it your job to be at the Sunday morning Bible study? "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15). Is it your job to be at the Wednesday evening Bible study? "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you" (Hebrews 13:17).

Is it your job to study your Bible each day? "But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night" (Psalm 1:2). Is it your job to bring others to Christ? "And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matthews 28:18-20). Is it your job to give of your time to help someone that needs encouragement? "Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works" (Hebrews 10:24).

As a member of this congregation just what is your job? Is it to teach a Bible class? We all are to be apt to teach (2 Timothy 2:24. That is not to the elders in that passage. The passage that the elders are to be apt to teach in 1 Timothy 3:2). Is it to make a visitor feel relaxed when they visit one of our services? Have you ever visited a place and no one spoke a word to you? How did that make you feel? Did you ever visit a place and you were made to feel like you were unwanted? Let us not make that so here! It is your job to stay focused on the lesson that is being presented? Should we not be focused upon all our acts of worship? Are not each one of the five acts of worship important? It is your job to give of your means with a willing heart? Are you a part of this congregation, and 1 Corinthians 16:2 says, "let each one of you lay by him in store..." are a part of "each one?"

As a man of this congregation, what is your job? Are you to lead this congregation in prayer? If you have difficulty doing this then start at home. Say the prayer at the meals and at other times. Say them to yourself then pray with others. Men, are you willing to help serve on the table? Why not let the person who is in charge of the services know that you are willing to do these things instead of letting him run you down and seeing if you will help. Are you willing to do the devotional on Wednesday evening? Why not? Start by teaching a class, then work up to this. You say that you might make a mistake. Ask any preacher if he has ever made a mistake. Did you know that the preacher last Sunday made a mistake? He quoted one passage when he had another one on the Power Point slide. Everyone makes mistakes, get over it and get busy! Are you willing to lead the singing? There are men here who can help with this if you would like to try. Contact one of them for help. Men are you willing to bring a sermon? This also is something that one can start small on and work up to a full sermon. I know of a person that was working on sermon. He called me up and said he would go thirty to forty five minutes; he went five. But that is ok. He was working on it! You can too.

Of all these questions above, you are the only person that can answer them. You can only answer them for yourself. I am working on them in my life, some are coming together some still need work. If you need encouragement or instruction on how to do any one or all of these things talk to the elders or the preacher, they will help. This article was written by John Newham, who also states that he is working on some of his blocks.

Love, Keith

Those serving...Next Sunday

Song Leading
Scripture Reading
Opening Prayer
Lord's Supper

Closing Prayer
Announcements/Invitation

Perry Sims
Jonathan Evans
Chuck Mitchell
John Thomason(P)
Trey Callihan, Jerry Shepherd, Zane Whatley,
John Hughes, Art Hein, Tom Parker
Causie Crane
Larry Eldridge

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