

SEVEN THINGS WE MUST DO ALL THE TIME

There are certain things the Bible says we must do all the time.

1. LIVE IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD ALWAYS

Proverbs 23:17-18 (KJV)

¹⁷ *Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be **thou in the fear of the LORD** all the day long.*

¹⁸ *For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.*

Always to maintain a blameless conscience before God and before Men

Acts 24:16 (KJV)

¹⁶ *And herein do I exercise myself, to have always **a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men.***

It doesn't mean we will never sin but we have to strive and stay away from sin.

Every moment, as soon as we are aware of sin then we need go before God or apologize to whom so ever we sin against.

The great danger on postponing thing is that our conscience becomes sealed and we end up not doing it at all. If God ask us to do something we must obey and do it as soon as possible.

Hebrews 3:7-8 (KJV)

⁷ *Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, **To day if ye will hear his voice,***

⁸ ***Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:***

We must not hear the voice again simply because our heart becomes harden.

When sin and we don't feel a burden of sin, that means our conscience is dead.

We should ask God to make us more conscious of sin by making our conscience more sensitive.

2. ALWAYS SET THE LORD BEFORE ME

Psalm 16:8-9 (KJV)

⁸ ***I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.***

⁹ ***Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.***

Whatever we do we do to the glory of God.

In everything I do, I have to seek the Lord's approval: what is the Lord says, what he thinks.

God's opinion is the only thing that matters, and it's a continuous battle to practice and keep the presence of the Lord.

3. REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS

Philippians 4:4 (KJV)

⁴ *Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice.*

This is a command of God. We have to rejoice in the Lord always no matter what the situation is.

Once we know what God command us to do, then we become responsible if we don't do it.

Acts 17:30 (KJV)

³⁰ *And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:*

Treat God's word with obedience and great importance

God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek him (Heb 11:6)

Ask until you have, knock until the door is opened and seek until you have.

Don't ignore the commandment of God but ask for grace to obey.

Acts 20:31-32 (KJV)

³² *And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.*

In every word of God, there is a grace that comes with it to help us to obey.

Grace is sufficiency for every need.

As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing

2 Corinthians 6:4-10 (KJV)

⁴ *But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,*

⁵ *In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings;*

⁶ *By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,*

⁷ *By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,*

⁸ *By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true;*

⁹ *As unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed;*

¹⁰ *As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.*

How can that be? Can we be sorrowful and still rejoicing? Yes

We can have sorrow when someone is sick.

We can have sorrow when disappointed.

We can have sorrow when some love one dies.

But we should not allow any sorrow to take away our joy because it's only in heaven that there's no sorrow.

The only thing we should be sorrowful about is the fact that we have not become completely like Jesus.

But even that sorrow should not take away our joy.

We cannot live in this world and say we can not have sorrow but the true Christian life is always rejoicing.

Giving thanks always for all things

Ephesians 5:20 (KJV)

²⁰ *Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;*

Why all things? Because we have Romans 8:28

Romans 8:28 (KJV)

²⁸ *And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.*

God is in control of all things not most things but all things, therefore I will give thanks for all things because my God is able to supply all my needs

Some of things we don't give thanks to God is because we believe God is not in control of those things. But God is in control of universe and the spirit of thanksgiving glorifies God.

4. PRAY ALWAYS

Luke 18:1 (KJV)

¹ *And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;*

Luke 21:36 (KJV)

³⁶ *Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.*

1 Thessalonians 5:17 (KJV)

¹⁷ *Pray without ceasing.*

What does it mean to pray all the time?

It's an attitude of constant dependence on God at all the time.

Prayer is a mark of a weak man, someone who is absolutely helpless without God.

It's the attitude the branch without the tree. We should constantly depend of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

John 15:5-8 (KJV)

⁵ *I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.*

⁶ *If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.*

⁷ *If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.*

⁸ *Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.*

5. SPEAK WITH GRACE

Colossians 4:5-6 (KJV)

⁵ *Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.*

⁶ *Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.*

“It not really my fault,” that is the Adamic nature, we must watch our speech. How we talk to our spouses and our fellow men should be with grace.

6. ALWAYS CARRYING IN OUR BODY THE DYING OF JESUS

2 Corinthians 4:10 (KJV)

¹⁰ *Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.*

Jesus lived in earth as a dead man. Dead to the self man, Dead to his reputation.

2 Corinthians 4:8-9 (KJV)

⁸ *We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;*

⁹ *Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;*

Let's take the way of the cross for Jesus did it first.

7. ALWAYS ABOUND IN THE WORK OF THE LORD

1 Corinthians 15:58 (KJV)

⁵⁸ *Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.*

Jesus came into the world to serve and save others.

The work of the Lord is the work of serving other people. A servant of the Lord is a servant of other people. It's not easy, for they will take advantage but always ask for grace to abound. Make it your goal for blessing other people without making nuisance to ourselves.