

Series: 7 Habits of a Disciple
Message: A Serving Life
Text: Luke 12:35-48 (AM 4/30/17)

Every true Saint of God would confess that their *passion in life* is to be like Jesus. Someone has astutely said, “*We are most like Jesus when we serve others.*” Remember, that *success* in the Father’s eyes is simply *faithfulness*. In the parable of the Wise and Foolish Steward, Jesus masterfully illustrates His expectations for His Followers – *A Serving Life*.

We’ve explored six (6) of the seven (7) Habits of a Disciple. A Fully Devoted Christ Follower is – A Surrendered; Sanctified; Sharing; Supplicating and Successful (Steward) Life. Let’s discover the joy and fulfillment of a Life of Service in His Kingdom.

1st A Servant’s Reminder (40) “*The Son of Man is coming...unexpected!*”
Key: Faithful servants anticipate His return.

2nd A Servant is Rewarded (37) “*The Son of Man...will come & serve them*”
Key: Faithful servants are awestruck by His Grace.

3rd A Servant is Ready (42) “*Who then is that faithful and wise steward...?*”
Key: Faithful servants are about His Business.

4th A Servant’s Responsibility (48b) “*Whom much is given...much is required*”
Key: Faithful servants are aware of their purpose.
➤ Find your place (1 Cor 12:18); Focus on your passion (Rom 12:6a);
Fulfill your purpose (Eph 2:10).

5th A Servant’s Rule (44) “*He will make him ruler over all that He has...*”
Key: Faithful servants influence in God’s Kingdom will be advanced.

6th A Servant’s Remorse (45-48a) “*That servant who knew...& did not prepare*”
Warning: Unfaithful servants will be admonished by the Master.

7th A Servant Rejoices (43) “*Blessed is that servant whom his master finds...*”
Key: Faithful servants will be amazed and affirmed by Jesus.

Application to my life: Someone has humorously said, “Many in the Church today are sitting, soaking and soaring!” How do we avoid that malady? *Serve!* Those who embrace the 6th Habit or Discipline soon discover ministry in the Kingdom thru His Church is not a job or burden. It’s a genuine joy! The question that’s plagued man from the dawn of time is answered... *This is my purpose in life!*