

Four things Christ left His Church

Extended Verse Study:

This Week's Memory Verse Focus

“For the Son of Man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.” Mark 13:34

2017 Motto:

It's always 3:30 (John 3:30)

Ask yourself and apply to your daily prayer:

How can I apply the theme to my daily living and connect that understanding in my active part of the local Body of Christ where I am committed at HCC

Current Sermon Title:

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Ask yourself how can participating in the soul habit practice of reforming the center of your life to Christ by making a Spiritual Formation Plan to be led by the love of God

1: Read Mark 13:31-37

2: Read Luke 19:13

3: Read John 15:17,20:21,22:12

4: Read Matthew 25:14-30

5: Read John 3:30

6: Read Romans 14:17

FOR THE GROUP: Working it out together

1. Read Mark 13:34. In this illustration of a man going on a journey, what were the instructions as he left his home?
2. The man going on the far journey ordered his servants to continue his work and watch for his return. How does this illustration tell us about our responsibilities as we wait for Jesus return?
3. Pastor Bowman said, “When Christ went away...He said to those remaining I am placing you as a trustee.” What is one of the first responsibilities Jesus trusted us to? Read John 20:21.
4. What tools did Jesus provide us to fulfill His responsibilities?
5. How can each of the following *tools* help us to fulfill the responsibility Jesus trustee us to share His Good News; *Authority to use Jesus Name, Power of the Holy Spirit, Word of God, Power of Prayer.*
6. As followers of Jesus, we have been given a *Sacred Trust* (continue His work), with *Sacred Tools* (Authority, Holy Spirit, Word of God, Prayer) and we also have a *Sacred Task* (to use our talents/gifts). Is this work only for those with the talent to preach or teach? Matthew 25:15.
7. Pastor Bowman said, “He (Jesus) left them a Solemn Warning...What he(Jesus) is saying is I have given you sole purpose to making disciples and winning souls but do not get discouraged.” What does it mean to keep watch of your mind.?

FOR THE INDIVIDUAL: Take Away

Four responsibilities Christ left His church.

- *Sacred Trust: To be a trustee. Jesus trust us with the continuation of His work and watch for His return*
- *Sacred Tools: Gave us the tools to do His work*
 - a. *Authority to use Jesus Name – How can using the power of Jesus Name*
 - b. *Power of the Holy Spirit*
 - c. *Word of God*
 - d. *Power of Prayer*
- *Sacred Task. God has given each person a talent/gift to use as we fulfill our role as a trustee using the tools*
- *A solemn warning. Do not get discouraged but keep observing and watch for His return. Keep watch over your mind and words to continue to spread the Good News.*