

Lasting, impactful service owns a conviction that...

Repudiates isolated ministry, but joyfully serves Christ's church together. (8-9)

Relies on intentionally investing in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. (10-11)

Requires giving your best efforts to Jesus Christ and His church. (12-13)

Rewards result from a thorough inspection of the quality of your work. (14-15)

Questions for Discussion:

Why do you think some Christians choose to serve others in isolation from other Christians?

What would you say to encourage them to "join the team?"

What might be some wrong reasons Christians could have for serving Christ's church together?

What would you tell them to encourage a more pure motivation?

Have you observed a church with "foundation" problems?
If so, what was the problem?

Do you think their problem is repairable? Why or why not?

What does it look like for someone to give their best efforts in serving Christ and His church?

What would someone giving their "leftovers" in service look like?

What takes the edge off of our best efforts for Christ?

Are there ways you could step up your service for Christ? If so, what would that look like?

What is the effect of Christians comparing themselves against other Christians when serving Christ?

What will it be that Christ is looking for in evaluating our work?

How can knowing what He will be looking for be an encouragement to each of us?