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"The Life Of A Soul-jour: Duty" (Part 2 of 4) ©

Soul-jour: A soul on a journey- an enlisted disciple engaged in fulfilling one's duties while serving their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

- ♦ Having and proclaiming power over evil spirits (Luke 10:19).
 - * (Not) rejoicing that evil spirits submit to you, but rejoicing that your name is written in heaven (Luke 10:20).
- ♦ Loving the Lord with all of your heart, soul, strength, and mind, and loving your neighbor as yourself (Luke 10:27).
- ♦ Being a "Mary" instead of a "Martha"...spending time with the Lord as much as you can (Luke 10:38-42).
- ♦ (Publicly) acknowledging Jesus before others, and never being ashamed of Jesus or disowning Him to avoid the Lord being ashamed of and/or disowning you (Luke 12:8-9).
- ♦ (Not) worrying about your life, what you will eat, about your body, or what you will wear (Luke 12:22).
- ♦ Remembering that when given much by the Lord, much more is expected from you (Luke 12:48).
- ♦ Interpreting the times to determine the spiritual nature of what's really going on (Luke 12:54-56).
 - * Note: Watch for the patterns of the Lord...He is extremely consistent in how He works, which is evident throughout the Word of God (i.e. Adam was a "pattern" of the one to come-Romans 5:14).
- ♦ Reconciling with your adversary before going to a judge...judging for yourself what is right in the Lord (Luke 12:57-59).
- ♦ Making every effort to enter the narrow door to enter the Kingdom of Heaven (Luke 13:24).
- ♦ Laying (and finishing) the foundation of your life (in Jesus) to avoid ridicule (Luke 14:29).
- ♦ Giving up everything so that you can become the Lord's disciple (Luke 14:33).
- ♦ (Not) falling away to keep from becoming a "prodigal son" (Luke 15:11-32).
 - * Note: It is impossible for the Lord to come after you once you have already experienced the fruits of the Holy Spirit. You must choose to return upon your own desire (Hebrews 6:4-5).
- ♦ Being trusted with little so that you can be trusted with much...the same is true with honesty (Luke 16:10).
- ♦ Being trustworthy with someone else's property in order to be trusted with property of your own (Luke 16:12).
- ♦ Rebuking your brothers and sisters in Christ who sin against you, and if they repent, forgive them (Luke 17:3).
 - * Note: (Lovingly) rebuking, training, and correcting fellow brothers and sisters in Christ when called to do so (2 Timothy 3:16).
- ♦ Humbling yourself in order to be exalted by the Lord (Luke 18:14).
- ♦ Taking instruction from the Lord and putting it into action (Luke 19:28-34).
- ♦ Resting frequently, especially on Sunday's (Luke 23:56).
 - * Note: Mary would not even prepare Jesus' body, after His death, out of respect and obedience for the day of rest (Luke 23: 55-56 and Luke 24:1).
- ♦ Honoring the Son in order to honor the Father (John 5:23).
- ♦ Wasting nothing (John 6:12).
- ♦ Holding to the teachings of Jesus in order to be considered the Lord's disciple (John 8:31).
- ♦ Belonging to God in order to hear what God says (John 8:47).
- ♦ "Dying" of thy self (John 11:25).
- ♦ Blessing fellow disciples by the washing of their feet (John 13:14).
- ♦ Accepting anyone sent by the Lord, which is considered acceptance of Jesus and God, the Father (John 13:20).
- ♦ Standing firm in the Truth that Jesus is THE way, THE truth, and THE life, and no one goes to the Father except through Him (John 14:6).
 - * Note(s): Believing and living the Truth that salvation is found in no one else other than through Jesus Christ; for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved (Acts 4:12).
 - * Leading others to Jesus by means of Romans 10:9...true salvation.
 - * Acknowledging that Jesus is the Son of God (1 John 4:15).
 - * Without Jesus, you do not have God, the Father, either (1 John 2:23).

(Please read on...)

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- ♦ Seeking to do greater works than Jesus (**John 14:12-14**).
- ♦ Remaining in the Lord so that you can bear (good) fruit (**John 15:4**).
- ♦ (Not) killing others to demonstrate an offering of service to God. Such an act is evidence that you have not known the Father or Jesus Christ (**John 16:2-3**).
- ♦ Seeking unity within the body of Christ by praying for fellow believer's discipleship (**John 17:20-21**).
- ♦ Listening to EVERYTHING that Jesus tells you will keep you from being completely cut off from your people (**Acts 3:22-23**).
- ♦ Proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead (**Acts 4:2**).
- ♦ Speaking the Word of God with great boldness (**Acts 4:29-30**).
- ♦ (Not) stealing from the Lord to avoid the consequences (**Acts 5:1-11**).
- ♦ Recognizing that doing acts by means of human origin will fail, but not when done through the Lord (**Acts 5:38-39**).
- ♦ (Not) calling anything impure that God has made clean (**Acts 10:15**).
 - * Note(s): This message from Jesus refers not only to food, but also refers to people who have been made clean and pure through Him (**Acts 10:28**).
 - * Eating, however, is done in accordance with one's faith. Therefore, no one should place judgements on what someone puts into their bodies since God has accepted them (**Romans 14:2-3**).
 - * "All food is clean, but it is wrong for a person to eat anything that causes someone else to stumble" (**Romans 14:20**).
- ♦ Avoiding sexual immorality (**Acts 15:20**).
- ♦ Repenting of your sins to be made clean before your time of judgement, which occurs by the appointed one, Jesus Christ (**Acts 17:30-31**).
- ♦ Ensuring that you received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and not that of just water from man (**Acts 19:2-6**).
- ♦ (Not) speaking/representing the Word of God when your heart is full of hypocrisy...this is especially important when you are one of the Lord's teachers (**Romans 2:21-24**).
- ♦ (Not) continuing to sin even though given endless grace through Jesus Christ (**Romans 6:1**).
 - * Note(s): Counting yourself dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus (**Romans 6:11**).
 - * (Not) letting sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires (**Romans 6:12**).
 - * Offering every part of yourself to the Lord as an instrument of righteousness (**Romans 6:13**).
 - * (Not) allowing sin to dominate you any longer because you are no longer under the law, but under grace (**Romans 6:14**).
- ♦ (Not) living a condemned life since there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus (**Romans 8:1**).
 - * Note: Be especially aware of not condemning fellow brothers and sisters in Christ who are on a unique journey with Jesus. Despite the unique details of that person's life, it is trivial to the good work they are doing for the Kingdom of Heaven.
- ♦ Understanding that grace through Jesus Christ does not come through man's works...grace is simply given (**Romans 11:5-6**).
- ♦ (Not) causing others to stumble in regards to making one day more sacred than another (**Romans 14:5**).
- ♦ Watching out for those who cause divisions and put obstacles in your way that are contrary to the teaching you have learned. Keep away from them (**Romans 16:17**).
 - * Note: "By smooth talk and flattery they deceive the minds of naive people" (**Romans 16:18**).
- ♦ Being wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil (**Romans 16:19**).

~ These inspired words are intended to strengthen the body of Christ so that we can eliminate "obesity" of our spirit (unnecessary confusion and distraction), and to set ourselves apart from the world so that we can stand out as the mighty warriors we are called to be In Jesus' name! (These inspired messages/teachings are never to substitute the pure Word of God found in The Holy Bible.) ~

May you be blessed, and may you "Live L.E.A.N. (Loving Everyone As Neighbors)...Live Long"!

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