

Men's Meeting

August 28, 2013

Our Calling

12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings:

15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.

Philippians 2:12-16

Remember This Outline?

- **Spiritual duties**
- **Marital duties**
- **Parental duties**
- **Church duties**
- **Family duties**
- **Professional duties**
- **Financial duties**
- **Social duties**
- **Personal duties**
- **Civil duties**

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www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/a-mighty-man.pdf

Spiritual Champions

- Life is more than working or studying hard and loving a wife.
- “A Mighty Man’s Life” does not fully stress your high calling.
- Carnal Christianity is the greatest threat to men/families.
- Carnal Christians enjoy Proverbs and such “natural” topics.
- A faithful pastor must present a better, higher goal for you.

Why this Subject?

- Anything less deprives you of total success and pleasure.
- Anything less will leave you wanting in the Day of Judgment.
- Anything less does not give proper honor to the Son of God.
- Anything less deceives you as to rightly measuring your life.
- Anything less denies our church the power we should have.

Why Are You Disappointed?

- We prefer hearing about maximizing income, sex, names!
- You know I want to empower, thrill you at men's meetings.
- But you should know I must first be faithful to my ministry.
- Sermons can often be ranked from most to least spiritual.
- Do you love Christ ... or doctrine, truth, wisdom w/o Him?

We Must Be Spiritual Christians

“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, *who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.*”

Romans 8:1

“For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but *they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.* For to be carnally minded is death; but *to be spiritually minded is life and peace.*”

Romans 8:5-6

We Must Be Spiritual Christians

“Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. *For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.*”

Romans 8:12-14

Spiritual Champions

- Spiritual champions are men walking closely with God.
- Spiritual champions are those that know and love Christ.
- Spiritual champions are victorious by power of the Spirit.
- Spiritual champions please God much more than “Christians.”
- Spiritual champions maximize happiness and true success.

Spiritual Champions

- **Belly Worshipers ...** <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/sermons/practical/belly-worshippers-2/sermon.php>.
- **The Heart of David ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/heart-of-david.pdf.
- **Perilous Times ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/sermons/exposition/perilous.../sermon.php.
- **Greatness By a Great Cause ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/greatness-by-a-great-cause.pdf
- **Measuring Your Life ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/make-your-life-count.pdf

Walk with God

- Is God your exceeding great reward (Gen 15:1; Ps 73:25-26)?
- Is God your exceeding joy (Psalm 43:4; Hab 3:17-19).
- Delight in God Himself as David did (Psalm 37:4; 104:34).
- It is not hearing, believing, or saying (Jas 1:21-25; 2:19; I John 2:4).
- Is God such to you that you could lose all else easily?

Walk with God

- **Knowing God (short)** ... www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/knowning-god.pdf.
- **Knowing God (long)** ... sermon series (44 sermons) from 7/15/12 – 1/20/13.
- **Walking with God** ... www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/walking-with-god.pdf.
- **What Will You Do with God?** ... www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/what-will-you-do-with-this-god.pdf.
- **How Much Do You Love God?** ... www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/do-you-love-god.pdf.
- **Directory to God Sermons** ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/sermons/god.php>.

Love Jesus Christ

- Do you appreciate certain Greeks, “We would see Jesus”?
- Do you appreciate Paul, “That I may know Him”?
- Do you understand why I reviewed Messianic Psalms?
- Do you appreciate Mary who chose better than Martha?
- God forbid ... not to know anything ... first love ... open door.

Love Jesus Christ

- **He Is Altogether Lovely ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/bible/christ/he-is-altogether-lovely.php>.
- **Reviving First Love ...** www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/reviving-first-love.pdf
- **Great Mystery of Godliness ...** www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/mystery-of-godliness.pdf
- **Messianic Psalms ...** www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/messianic-psalms.pdf
- **Psalm 45 ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/christ/psalm45/sermon.php>
- **Directory to Christ Sermons ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/christ.php>.

Filled with the Holy Ghost

- Being filled with the Spirit is an imperative duty (Eph 5:18).
- Our obedience brings the Spirit's presence (John 14:15-24).
- You can both grieve and quench the Spirit (I Thes 5:19; Eph 4:30).
- You should pray for the Holy Ghost (Luke 11:13; Eph 1:17; 3:16).
- Without the Holy Spirit your life is powerless and joyless.

Filled with the Holy Ghost

- **The Holy Spirit ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/holy-spirit.pdf
- **Spiritually Minded ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/spiritually-minded.pdf
- **Building Up Yourselves ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/building-up-yourselves.pdf
- **Fruit of the Holy Spirit ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/fruit-of-the-spirit.pdf
- **Day of Pentecost ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/day-of-pentecost.pdf

Bear Much Fruit

- You put off the works of the flesh to bear fruit (Gal 5:19-25).
- You cannot bear fruit without abiding in Christ (John 15:1-8).
- If you are in Christ by the Spirit, all things are new (II Cor 5:17).
- Are you the light of the world? Salt of the earth? (Mat 5:13-16).
- Do your wife, children, and others learn of Christ by you?

Bear Much Fruit

- **Fruit of the Holy Spirit ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/fruit-of-the-spirit.pdf
- **What God Calls Fruit ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/what-god-calls-fruit.pdf
- **Lights in the World ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/lights-in-the-world.pdf
- **Reflecting God ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/reflecting-god.pdf
- **Living Epistles ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/living-epistles.pdf

Know the Scriptures

- They read the Bible every day meditatively to meet God.
- Job valued His words more than necessary food (Job 23:12).
- David saw their value and pleasure (Ps 19:10-11; 119:72,111,127).
- They testify of Jesus Christ more than anything else (Jn 5:39).
- It is a spiritual book for spiritual men like no other. Period!

Know the Scriptures

- **Not by Bread Alone ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/scripture/not-by-bread-alone/sermon.php>
- **Directory to Scripture sermons ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/scripture.php>
- **Bring It Back to the Bible ...** <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/scripture/bring-it-back-to-the-bible/sermon.php>
- **Fulfilled Prophecy ...** www.letgodbettrue.com/.../prophecy/...fulfilled-prophecy/sermon.php
- **The Bible Cannot Profit ...** www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/bible-cannot-profit.pdf

Men of Prayer

- A spiritual man needs to talk with God daily for strength.
- A spiritual man wants to talk with God daily for fellowship.
- A spiritual man actually talking to God avails much (Jas 5:16).
- Prayer includes careful self-examination and confession.
- Prayer is a thermometer of your spiritual life like no other.

Men of Prayer

- **Effectual Prayer (full outline) ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/effectual-prayer.pdf
- **Priority of Prayer ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/prayer-is-a-priority.pdf
- **Inspired Prayer Requests ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/inspired-prayer-requests.pdf
- **Power of Prayer ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/power-of-prayer.pdf
- **Bible Doctrine of Fasting ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/fasting.pdf

Soul Winners

- A Christian champion lives and answers to save others.
- Andrew, Philip, and Aquila and Priscilla are good examples.
- If you have not converted anyone outside family, why not?
- What do you need to do better or more of in order to do so?
- Winning or serving others should be a large preoccupation.

Soul Winners

- **Love of a Soul ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/love-of-a-soul.pdf
- **Proverbs 11:30 ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/proverbs/commentaries/11_30.php
- **One Soul at a Time ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/evangelism-one-at-a-time.pdf
- **Small Pill Evangelism ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/evangelism-small-pill.pdf
- **Becoming Sound Doctrine ...** <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/things-becoming-sound-doctrine.pdf>

Holy Lifestyle

- A holy God cannot abide unholy children as Isaiah learned.
- God's blessings are reserved for those with holy lives.
- A friend of the world does not love God and is His enemy.
- Most complain about details, but you better care for them.
- God's holiness is a lifestyle that pleases God and men.

Holy Lifestyle

- **Call to Holiness (blue fringe holiness) ...** www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/holiness-fringe.pdf
- **Is Jesus Lord of your Life? ...** <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/sermons/christ/he-is-lord-of-all/sermon.php>
- **Is Jesus Lord of your Body? ...** www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/your-body-is-the-lords.pdf
- **Forgotten Sins ...** www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/forgotten-sins.pdf
- **Perfecting Holiness ...** www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/perfecting-holiness.pdf
- **I Thessalonians 4:1-12 ...** www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/4_1-12.pdf
- **Sanctification ...** www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/sanctification.pdf
- **Biblical Separation ...** www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/biblical-separation.pdf

Public Leadership

- Spiritual champions lead or participate in public worship.
- Their fear of leading, talking, people, crowds do not matter.
- They lead their family and any gathering with their family.
- They gladly participate in public prayer, Psalm reading, etc.
- They will speak up on behalf of the Lord wherever they can.

Public Leadership

- **Keepers of the Kingdom ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/keepers-of-the-kingdom.pdf
- **Kingdom Duties ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/kingdom-duties.pdf
- **Patriarchy – Where Are the Men? ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/patriarchy.pdf
- **Where Is Your Tent? ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/where-is-your-tent.pdf
- **David’s Mighty Men ...** www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/davids-mighty-men.pdf

Christian Music

- This may seem a little out of place but ... David, Jesus, Paul.
- This is one of five inputs that make a world of difference.
- We are the temple of the Holy Ghost so let in temple music.
- Hate the lies, sin, and noise of the world's music from hell.
- If music is the language of the soul, listen to God speak.

Christian Music

- **David the Musician ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/david-the-musician.pdf
- **Songs for Worship ...** www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/songs-for-worship.pdf
- **Directory to Website Music ...** <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/music/music.php>

Spiritual Champions Summary

- **Walk with God**
- **Love Jesus Christ**
- **Filled with the Holy Ghost**
- **Bear Much Fruit**
- **Know the Scriptures**
- **Men of Prayer**
- **Soul Winners**
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- Carnal Christians enjoy Proverbs and other “natural” topics.
- I have tonight steered you again toward true godliness.
- Spiritual champions maximize happiness and true success.