8-14-2016 Serving the Lord Fervently Rev. Wilfred Chung

1. Most churches are passive today.

 A. This is a culture of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. 2 Timothy 3:1-5

 B. Other factors of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Matthew 24:12; Revelation 2:4-5

1. But serve the Lord fervently is an essential character.

A. God’s word \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us. Romans 12:11-13

B. Especially for the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Romans 12:8

1. The demand of the first commandment. Matthew 22:37-38

A. Seek Jesus with \_\_\_\_ your heart. Jeremiah 29:13

B. Disobedience leads to Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Revelations 3:15-16

1. Serving the Lord fervently will be rewarded.

 A. Success in \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_. Mark 10:28-29

 B. Inheritance in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Colossians 3:23-24

1. In what area should you serve the Lord with a boiling spirit.

 A. Your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_. Romans 12:6-8; I Peter 4:10-11

 B. Do what is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the eyes of everybody. Romans 12:17

II Timothy 3:1-5 But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. 2People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, 4treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— 5having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.

Matthew 24:12 12Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold,

Revelation 2:4-5 Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. 5Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place.

Romans 12:11-13 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. 12Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. 13Share with the Lord’s people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Matthew 22:37-38 Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ 38This is the first and greatest commandment.

Jeremiah 29:13 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

Revelation 3:15-16 I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! 16So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.

Mark 10:28-30 Then Peter spoke up, “We have left everything to follow you!” 29“Truly I tell you,” Jesus replied, “no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel 30will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life.

Colossians 3:23-24 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, 24since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

Romans 12:6-8 We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; 7if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; 8if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead,do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

I Peter 4:10-11 Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms. 11If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

 Romans 12:17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.