



STEPPING INTO GREATNESS

Step #6 – Pursue Excellence Always!

INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

Sunday Morning: 10:30 p.m.

Scripture Reading: Matt 5:38-42, Phil 1:9-11

Sunday December 15, 2013

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INTRO.

- A. The Key: Going the *second mile* (Matt 5:38-42).
- B. It is a wretched waste to be satisfied with **m**_____.

CONCLUSION: May we all pursue *excellence* always!

I. WHAT EXCELLENCE IS AND IT'S IMPORTANCE.

- A. What is the *standard*? **G**____ Almighty!
- B. What is the *basis* and *motive*? His revealed truth and His **g**_____!
- C. What is the model and goal? **J**_____ Christ and eternity with Him.
- D. What is the *focus*? ***Becoming Godly in our characters!***

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II. FIVE KEY PASSAGES:

- A. Phil 4:8 – Let your mind dwell on **excellence!**
- B. Ecc 9:10 – “Whatever you find to do, do it with all your **m**_____.”
- C. Eph 6: 5-8 – “Be obedient in the sincerity of your heart, as to Christ, not as men-pleasers, but as slaves of Christ, doing the **w**_____ of God.”

EVERY JOB IS A SELF-**P**_____ OF THE ONE WHO DOES IT, THEREFORE AUTOGRAPH ALL OF YOUR WORKS WITH EXCELLENCE!

- D. I Cor 15:58 – “Therefore, be steadfast, immovable, always **a**_____ in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.”
- E. Phil 1: 20-22 – “In nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be **m**_____ in my body, whether by life or by death, for to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”

THE EARLY CHRISTIANS WON OVER MUCH OF THE PAGAN WORLD BECAUSE THEY OUT-THOUGHT, OUT-LIVED, AND OUT-DIED THE PAGANS!

III. AN ILLUSTRATION OF EXCELLENCE (Mark 14:3-9)-- MARY!

- A. Her sacrifice was *unprecedented, timely, sacrificial, public, & humble.*
- B. Jesus said: “She hath done what she **c**_____.” *Have you?*

Notes

ANSWERS:

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| could | magnified |
| Jesus | God |
| mediocrity | glory |
| abounding | Portrait |
| will | might |