

Motivation to do God's Will

1. What is your motivation for doing the work of the kingdom?

Exodus 33:12-17

12 Then Moses said to the Lord, "See, You say to me, 'Bring up this people!' But You Yourself have not let me know whom You will send with me. Moreover, You have said, 'I have known you by name, and you have also found favor in My sight.' 13 Now therefore, I pray You, if I have found favor in Your sight, let me know Your ways that I may know You, so that I may find favor in Your sight. Consider too, that this nation is Your people." 14 And He said, "My presence shall go with you, and I will give you rest." 15 Then he said to Him, "If Your presence does not go with us, do not lead us up from here. 16 For how then can it be known that I have found favor in Your sight, I and Your people? Is it not by Your going with us, so that we, I and Your people, may be distinguished from all the other people who are upon the face of the [g]earth?" 17 The Lord said to Moses, "I will also do this thing of which you have spoken; for you have found favor in My sight and I have known you by name."

2. What can we learn from Moses about having the right perspective and motivation to accept where God is trying to take you? Your Family? Your Purpose?

* Grace is nothing that we earn, but it is God's freedom to do for you what you cannot do for yourself.

3. How has God's grace been demonstrated in your life?

4. How can God motivate you to be a kingdom steward over your time, talents, and treasures?

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (NIV)

6 Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. 7 Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **8 And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.** 9 As it is written: "They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever." [a] 10 Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. 12 This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. 13 Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with

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everyone else. 14 And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. 15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Grace can be examined. How do you examine the grace of God in your life?

How do you sow Grace? Why are we to sow grace?

When a farmer only prays, the harvest is expected, but they must put action into planting the seeds. How does spiritual sowing and reaping as a kingdom steward relate to this application?

Luke 6:38 (NIV)

38 Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”

There are seasons to reaping certain harvests and in between seasons there is a gap. A farmer plants certain crops during certain seasons and in between seasons there is a gap for the ground to be prepared for the next crop. How do you experience gaps spiritually in between seasons?

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James 4:6 (NIV)

6 But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: “God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.”[a]