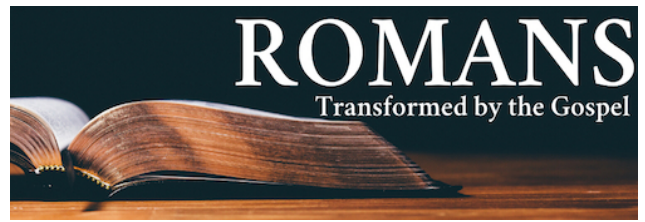


Paul's Approach to Ministry!

Feb. 14, 2021 – Romans 15:22-33

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Observations About Paul's Approach to God's Work:

1. Paul was **faithful** to complete God's Work.
 - a. Saying no to good **wants** is often necessary to complete God's **work**.

 - b. Persevering in God's work means to complete what you believe God called you to do though it may be **difficult**.

2. Paul took an **intentional** approach to God's work.

3. Paul recognized that God's work values **people**.

4. Paul recognized his complete **dependence** upon God.

Questions

1. What are some ways that you can serve the Lord given your age, ability, gifts, and opportunities?
2. What observation about Paul's ministry stuck out to you?
3. What keeps you on the sideline of serving Christ through your life and why do you think that is?
4. Why is prayer so critical to serving the Lord? How would you evaluate your dependence upon God?
5. In ministry it is easy to get to a place where we value the "program" (ministry plan) over people. How can you guard yourself from putting the program over people?

Next Steps: February Reading Plan (Week 3)

Day One: Joshua 5:10-15; 6

Day Two: Joshua 7-8

Day Three: Joshua 23-24

Day Four: Judges 2-3

Day Five: Judges 4

Discipleship Tip:

The most transformative practice you can engage in as a believer is reading God's Word consistently with your ears open to hear from God and your heart open to change.

Next Week's Sermon: Romans 16:1-16

February Scripture Memory:

14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs-- heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Romans 8:14-17 (ESV)

What was your big take-a-way from the message this morning?