

SERMON NOTES

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DUTY, HONOR, KINGDOM - LIVING OUT OUR FAITH

Key Scriptures: **2 Corinthians 6:3-4; Romans 12:1-2 (KJV)**

Primary Duties of the Christian

1. **Love God Wholeheartedly (Mark 12:30)**

- The greatest commandment is to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Our duty is first to cultivate a deep, personal relationship with God—through prayer, worship, and meditating on His Word.

2. **Love Our Neighbor (Mark 12:31)**

- Jesus teaches that the second greatest commandment is to love our neighbor as ourselves. This duty calls us beyond words to actions—showing kindness, compassion, forgiveness, and generosity to those around us, regardless of their background or beliefs.

3. **Live a Holy Life (Leviticus 11:44-45)**

- In Leviticus 11:44-45, God commanded His people Israel, *“Therefore, You must be Holy because I am Holy.”*
- Peter exhorts us in **1 Peter 1:13-16 (NLT)** - A Call to Holy Living
 - We are called to live differently from the world, reflecting Christ’s character in our integrity, humility, and purity. Our daily choices, both seen and unseen, are an act of duty and service to God.

4. **Sharing the Good News (Matthew 28:19-20)**

- The Great Commission reminds us that every Christian has a duty to share the gospel. This does not always mean preaching from a pulpit; often, it means living in such a way that others are drawn to Christ by our love and hope.

5. **Serving Others (Mark 10:45) (NIV)**

- Jesus washed His disciples’ feet (John 13) as an example of servant leadership. Our duty is to serve, not to be served. Whether in church, community, or family, we are called to humility and sacrificial service.
- In Mark 10:45 Jesus explains, *“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”* This statement captures the essence of His servant duties: humility, obedience, and sacrificial love.