

The Task

Every believer is _____ to work for God.
“... as each part does its work.” Eph. 4:16

Genuine ministry is not optional
or simply a call to go through the motions.

Ministry is “_____ the Lord.”

Not serving yourself, your pastor, your church, or your conscience

Genuine Ministry includes . . .

H_____ ~ the **root** of any or all ministry.

It's not _____ you or for you.

... He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ...He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! Phil. 2:7-8

H_____ ~ that is **concerned** for others.

Love must be sincere. ... Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Rom. 12:9-11

Genuine ministry's priority is
_____ needs and their benefit.

H_____ times will be **expected**.
(Opposition)

... If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ. Gal. 1:10

In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, 2 Timothy 3:12

People who faced opposition from inside and outside:
Moses // David // Nehemiah // Paul

No **H_____** ~ to **obey** God.

If you make a vow to the Lord your God, do not be slow to pay it, for the Lord your God will certainly demand it of you and you will be guilty of sin. Deuteronomy 23:21

When you make a vow to God, do not delay to fulfill it. He has no pleasure in fools; fulfill your vow. Ecclesiastes 5:4

Abraham responded quickly: Gen. 12:4, 17:23, 21:14, 22:3

A **H_____** ~ fruit that **lasts**.

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last John 15:16

Since God is working through us,
there are going to be _____!

Optional Readings: Theme: **Humility** (* key verses)

Psalm 18²⁷ 25⁹ 149⁴ **Matthew** 11²⁹ 18⁴ 23¹²
Luke 14¹¹ 18¹⁴ **Phil.** 2^{3, 8, 20} **Colossians** 2^{18, 23} 3¹²
James 3¹³ 4^{6, 10} **1 Peter** 5^{5, 6}