# The Call to Ministry at Church

Rom 15:18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ has not accomplished through me, in word and deed, to make the Gentiles obedient-

#### How Are We to Minister?

### 1. We Minister to Those GOD BRINGS TO US

(Mat 11:2-5 And when John had heard in prison about the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples (3) and said to Him, "Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?" (4) Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and tell John the things which you hear and see: (5) The blind see and the lame walk; the lepers are cleansed and the 净,聋子听见,死人复活,穷人有福音传给他 deaf hear; the dead are raised up and the poor have the gospel preached to them.)

#### 2. We Must Minister with THE PROPER MOTIVE

(1Co 3:13-15 each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. (14) If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. (15) If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.)

**Common Motives:** 

- (a) GAIN
- (b) <u>FEAR</u>

(c) PRAISE (Mat 6:2 Therefore, when you do a charitable deed, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.)

在教会事奉的呼召

罗 15:18 除了基督藉我做的那些事,我什麽都 不敢提,只提他藉我言语作为,用神迹奇事的 能力,并圣灵的能力,使外邦人顺服;

## 我们应该如何事奉?

1. 我们事奉那些神带到我们面前的人(太 11:2-5 约翰在监里听见基督所做的事,就打发两个 门徒去, (3) 问他说: 「那将要来的是你吗? 还是我们等候别人呢? 」 (4) 耶稣回答说: 「你们去,把所听见,所看见的事告诉约翰。 (5) 就是瞎子看见, 瘸子行走, 长大麻疯的洁 们。)

2. 我们必须以恰当的动机来事奉(林前 3:13-15 各人的工程必然显露,因为那日子要将他表明 出来,有火发现;这火要试验各人的工程怎 样。(14)人在那根基上所建造的工程若存得 住,他就要得赏赐。(15)人的工程若被烧了, 他就要受亏损,自己却要得救;虽然得救,乃 像从火里经过的一样。)

- 一般的动机:
- (a) 得利
- (b) 惧怕

(c)人的荣耀 (太 6:2 所以,你施舍的时 候,不可在你前面吹号,像那假冒为善的人在 会堂里和街道上所行的,故意要得人的荣耀。 我实在告诉你们,他们已经得了他们的赏 赐。)

(Luk 4:8 And Jesus answered and said to him, "Get behind Me, Satan! For it is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND HIM ONLY YOU SHALL SERVE.' "; 1Jn 4:9-11 In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. (10) In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. (11) Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. )

Proper Motive: LOVE

#### 3. We Must Minister with THE PROPER POWER

(Act 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."; 1Co 12:11-12 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills. (12) For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ.)

**Observations:** 

(a) Not natural, but GIVEN BY GOD

(b) Gifts are to be used to <u>EDIFY THE CHURCH</u>, not ones self.

(c) We need each other to <u>FUNCTION PROPERLY</u> as a body.

**4. We Must Minister <u>FAITHFULLY</u>** (Heb 12:1-2 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares *us*, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, (2) looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.) (路 4:8 耶稣说: 「经上记著说: 当拜主你的神,单要事奉他。」; 约一 4:9-11 神差他独生 子到世间来,使我们藉著他得生,神爱我们的 心在此就显明了。 (10) 不是我们爱神,乃是神 爱我们,差他的儿子为我们的罪作了挽回祭, 这就是爱了。 (11) 亲爱的弟兄啊,神既是这样 爱我们,我们也当彼此相爱)

恰当的动机:<u>爱</u>

**3. 我们必须以<u>恰当的能力</u>来事奉**(徒 1:8 但圣 灵降临在你们身上,你们就必得著能力,并要 在耶路撒冷、犹太全地,和撒玛利亚,直到地 极,作我的见证。」;林前 12:11-12 这一切都 是这位圣灵所运行、随己意分给各人的。(12) 就如身子是一个,却有许多肢体;而且肢体虽 多,仍是一个身子;基督也是这样。)

观察:

- (a) 非自然的,但是<u>是神所赐的</u>
- (b) 恩赐是用于<u>造就教会</u>,而非自我。
- (c) 我们彼此需要作为一个身体来运作。
- 4.我们必须<u>忠心到底地</u>事奉(来12:1-2 我们既有这许多的见证人,如同云彩围著我们,就当放下各样的重担,脱去容易缠累我们的罪,存心忍耐,奔那摆在我们前头的路程,
  (2)仰望为我们信心创始成终的耶稣(或作:仰望那将真道创始成终的耶稣)。他因那摆在前面的喜乐,就轻看羞辱,忍受了十字架的苦难,便坐在神宝座的右边。