

**GENERAL SUBJECT:
THE GOD-ORDAINED WAY**

Message Twenty-nine

The Need of Full-timers

Scripture Reading:

- Rom. 12:1 I exhort you therefore, brothers, through the compassions of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service.
- Matt. 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole inhabited earth for a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.
- 2 Cor. 5:14, 15 And He died for all that those who live may no longer live to themselves but to Him who died for them and has been raised.
- 2 Tim. 2:3-4 Suffer evil with me as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please the one who enlisted him.
- 3 John 5-8 Beloved, you do faithfully in whatever you have wrought for the brothers, and this for strangers, Who testified to your love before the church; whom you will do well to send forward in a manner worthy of God; For on behalf of the Name they went out, taking nothing from the Gentiles. We therefore ought to support such ones that we may become fellow workers in the truth.
- Phil. 1:5-6 For your fellowship unto the furtherance of the gospel from the first day until now, Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun in you a good work will complete it until the day of Christ Jesus.

I. Needing full-timers for the spreading of the Lord's recovery—Rom. 12:1; Matt. 24:14:

- A. The Lord's recovery being in need of more full-time workers—Rom. 12:1.
- B. The full-time trainees being trained to be such a strong army for the Lord—2 Tim. 2:3-4.
- C. Endeavoring to have out of every twenty saints meeting in the Lord's recovery there should be one full-time serving one.
- D. Training the young saints.
- E. Working for the preaching of the gospel on the college campuses requiring full-time laborers.

II. The real meaning of being full-timers—2 Cor. 5:14-15:

- A. Presenting our bodies a living sacrifice—Rom. 12:1.
- B. The real meaning of full-timers being to live to the Lord—Rom. 14:7-9; Gal. 2:19b-20.
- C. Being the faithful servants to spread the truths and to serve food to the Lord's people at the appointed time—Matt. 24:45:
 - 1. As job-dropping full-timers
 - 2. As money-making full-timers
- D. Being a pattern and not replacing the saints—Eph. 4:12.

III. The perfecting of full-timers—2 Tim. 3:14, 17; Phil. 4:8-9:

- A. Becoming very knowledgeable of the truths—1 Tim. 2:4; John 8:32; Eph. 6:14.
- B. Growing absolutely in the divine life—Eph. 4:13; Col. 1:28.
- C. Being built up in their character—2 Tim. 3:10.
- D. Being trained in how to present the truths—2:15.

IV. The supply of full-timers:

- A. What our God demands He will supply.
- B. Following the Lord and trusting in Him for our living—Luke 8:2-3.

V. The fellowship unto the furtherance of the gospel—Phil. 1:5-6; 3 John 5-8:

- A. The practical way to support the job dropping full-timers—Phil. 4:15-16, 18:

1. Besides the saints regular giving to the Lord through the church, they should practice the giving of an additional five percent of their income every month for “fellowship unto the gospel”—Phil. 1:5-6; 1 Tim. 6:17-19.
 2. Every church must participate in a “fellowship unto the gospel” account.
- B. Supporting the full-time elders—5:17.