

7. **The Spirit Of Volunteerism** Don't ever make someone have to beg you to do your duty. Adopt the ancient prophet's admonition: (Isa 6:8) "*I heard the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I \_\_\_\_\_, and who \_\_\_\_\_ for us? Then said I, Here am I; \_\_\_\_\_.*" That's the spirit! Send me! Be ready and willing to answer the call of duty at every opportunity.
8. **Be Prepared** (1 Sam 7:3) "*\_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ unto the LORD, and serve him only.*" Preparation is never accidental or happenstance. Preparation involves planning, study, and making ready beforehand. (2 Tim 2:15) "*Study to show thyself \_\_\_\_\_ unto \_\_\_\_\_.*" Why? Jesus illustrated it by suggesting if a man intends (Lk 14:28) "*to \_\_\_\_\_ a tower*" that he "*sitteth not down \_\_\_\_\_, and counteth \_\_\_\_\_*" to see "*whether he have \_\_\_\_\_ to finish it.*" Ask yourself, "Am I really sincere? Do I plan to stick with this? Do I believe that this is what I really need to do?" If so, (Eccl 9:10) "*do it with they \_\_\_\_\_.*"
9. **Participate** Paul said of the apostles (1 Cor 4:12) that we "*labour, \_\_\_\_\_ with our \_\_\_\_\_ hands.*" In (3:9) he states, "*we are \_\_\_\_\_ together \_\_\_\_\_ God.*" The analogy of working in the spiritual realm is compared to (Lk 9:62) a Christian who "*put his \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_.*" He is to (Eph 4:28) "*\_\_\_\_\_, working with \_\_\_\_\_ hands the thing which is good*" being (Titus 3:1) "*ready to \_\_\_\_\_ good work.*" Gladly do any "little jobs" that need doing. As your skills increase you can then tackle larger ones and perform them efficiently.
10. **Taking Public Part** Taking part in the public worship is expected only of those that possess the physically and mentally ability. You can't very well lead singing if you are tone deaf, serve at the Lord's Table if crippled, preach or teach if chronically ineffectual in speech, timid and self-conscious, or deficient in learning. Never forget (1 Cor 12:22) that "*those \_\_\_\_\_ of the body, which seem to be more \_\_\_\_\_, are \_\_\_\_\_.*"
11. **Praying** Every Christian is to (1 Thess 5:17) "*pray \_\_\_\_\_ ceasing.*" We suppose that only God hears some of the finest prayers ever prayed. Bible perfection means reaching your mature potential. That's all God expects and requires. (Ps 39:5) "*Verily every man at his \_\_\_\_\_ is altogether \_\_\_\_\_.*" James informs that (5:16) it is "*the effectual \_\_\_\_\_ prayer of a \_\_\_\_\_ man*" that "*availeth much.*" The word **effectual** means *to be mighty in, active, to work, to show one's passion.* Perfect nice phraseology but concentrate most on sincerity and scriptural-ness. "*Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.*"
12. **Singing** If you participate in scores of different song services you will find varying degrees of lulls, lilt, holds, and nuances as befits the local culture. "Some like it hot, some like it cold, some like it in the pot nine days old." Fortunately, God requires only (1 Cor 14:15) that "*I will \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_, and I will sing with the \_\_\_\_\_ also.*" David said: (Ps 7:17) "*I---will sing \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD most \_\_\_\_\_.*" If God likes our praise and devotion, that's what counts. (Heb 2:12) "*In the midst of the \_\_\_\_\_ will I sing praise unto thee.*" Avoid "draggy" singing. (Prov 17:22) "*A \_\_\_\_\_ spirit \_\_\_\_\_ the bones.*"
13. **Public Speaking** Few possess the natural talent to be great orators. Such isn't necessary. Work to enunciate your words plainly, be fluent, concise in thought, and hold your head up and speak loudly enough that all can hear you. Mumbling is a horrible habit. Our model: Solomon (Eccl 12:10) who "*sought to find out \_\_\_\_\_ words: and that which was written was \_\_\_\_\_, even \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.*" (1 Pet 4:11) "*Speak as the oracles \_\_\_\_\_.*"
14. **Winning VS Being An "Also Ran"** (Heb 12:1) "*Let us \_\_\_\_\_ with patience the \_\_\_\_\_ that is set before us.*" Run to win! (1 Cor 9:24) "*Know ye not that they which \_\_\_\_\_ in a race \_\_\_\_\_, but one receiveth the prize? So run, \_\_\_\_\_.*" Do your very best! Never forget that we please God, not man. Paul said he clung to (Phil 2:16) "*the \_\_\_\_\_ of life*" so he could know "*that I have not run \_\_\_\_\_, neither \_\_\_\_\_ in vain.*" Whether in daily life, or participating in public worship, be ready, willing, and anxious to do your very best.