

Taking Time with God in Your Busy Life – Luke 10:38-42

Theme: God calls believers to blend and balance service and _____.

I. The Setting – Luke 10:38

- A. John 11:5 tells us that Jesus knew Lazarus, Martha, and Mary and He loved them.
- B. Martha has the _____ of hospitality and she uses it to serve others.

II. The Sisters – Mary and Martha – 10:39-40

- A. Mary sat at the feet of Jesus and _____ to His teaching.
 1. Mary _____ to learn, she was excited to sit at Jesus' feet, and listen to Him teach.
 2. Her choice to learn meant other activities took _____ place.
- B. Martha was _____ with her preparations.
- C. Martha was _____ – She was pulled away, drawn here and there, and overburdened
- D. Martha was over committed. Her service _____ Christ was interfering with her listening to Christ.
- E. Martha became _____.
- F. We are _____ people with an inflated view of self.
 1. Martha gets irritated when things do not go according to her _____.
 2. God does not need me. It is my privilege to _____ the Lord.
- G. Martha goes to Jesus looking for some _____.
- H. Martha _____ Jesus what to do.
- I. Martha's priorities were _____ up.
 1. So many of our frustrations are because our priorities are not _____.

2. Life is about fulfilling _____ priorities, not my priorities.
3. We tend to think that whatever ministry we are involved in is _____ important and we just need to get more people doing what we are doing.
4. Each aspect of ministry is important.

III. The _____ Admonition and Lesson – 10:41-42

- A. The Lord is _____ and gentle with Martha.
- B. The Lord addresses the _____ of the issue.
 1. Jesus wanted Martha to rearrange her _____ so that she would not be anxious and troubled – upset.
 2. Jesus gently, yet firmly, tells Martha of a _____ way.
 3. Serving was not the problem, but her serving stopped her from spending _____ with Jesus. That was the problem.
- C. The Lord _____ the priorities
 1. Listening to the Word of God is _____!
 2. _____ is more important than dinner.
 3. You cannot _____ well if you are not a consistent disciple of Christ.
 4. Be a disciple of Christ and a _____ learner.
- D. Mary chose something of _____ value.
- E. Martha took what Jesus said to heart and she learned to blend and balance her serving and learning.

IV. Application / Response to God

- A. _____ your priorities.
- B. Be _____ to your time with God each day.
- C. Ask God to give you _____.

God wants me to _____
