

Characteristics of A Servant of God

“The servant of the God must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth.”

(2 Tim 2:24,25).

Servants of the Lord implies anyone voluntarily render his / her services willingly full time or part time to the advancement of His kingdom. How then can we identify a true servant? There are 7 noble qualities in these saints.

Firstly, they are meek and lowly at heart (1 Pet 5:6, James 1:9). They are willing to wash the feet of others (Jn 13:12-17). In lowliness of heart (Col 3:12), they do not strive with people but served the needs of Christendom. They will not be the initiator of strife and disunity. For they choose to please the Lord (Pro 6:16-19). Moses was a classic case of such a noble saint.

Secondly, they choose to rely and lean on the Lord's grace (Jn 15:3-5). Hence, they have a close intimate relationship with the Lord. In great transparency of heart, they disclosed everything to the Lord (Ps 62:8). They rely also on the power of the Holy Spirit to worked out the divine agendas of heaven (1 Pet 4:11)

Thirdly, they embrace the walk of holiness (2 Tim 2:19-22). They lived in a constant atmosphere of repentance (Ps 139:23-24). In meekness, they interceded and pleaded in counsels for all men to repentance, sinners and saints alike.

Fourthly, they dedicated themselves to live the perfect will of God (Jn 4:34; Acts 13:36). They surrendered their lives to do His biddings (2 Cor 8:5). Hence, they always give God the glory for all things (Jn 7:18; 8:49; Jer 9:23; 1 Cor 1:29). They are always thankful at heart (Ps 100:4; Col 1:12).

Fifthly, they are passionate lovers of the Word of God (Ps 119:111, Ps 138:2; Job 23:12). They are diligent student in studying God's word (1 Tim 4:12-16). They are also practitioner of the truths (James 2:22-25). They seek to produce the fruit of obedience in their walk (Ps 119:112, 131, 133).

Sixthly, they are nurturing the fruit of love in their walk and service. They obeyed the first commandment as prescribed in 1 Jn 2:9-11; 3:16-17,23). Hence, in their patient conduct they endured the waywardness of men's transgression, seeking to reconcile them back to the Father God.

Seventhly, they are committed to a lifestyle of prayer and intercession (1 Tim 2:1-8). They know the holy agenda of heaven: Isaiah 56:7. They will walk in the footstep of Epaphras, to intercede for the saints (Col 4:12; Eph 6:18). Seek to nurture these 7 qualities and great rewards await them in the second coming of Jesus.