

#### **DARING TO COMMIT** Daring Faith: The Key to Miracles

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"<u>Give yourselves completely</u> to God—every part of you—for you are back from death and you want to be tools in the hands of God, to be used for his good purposes." Romans 6:13 (TLB)

"Since God has shown us great mercy, I beg you to <u>offer your lives as a living</u> <u>sacrifice</u> to him. <u>Your offering</u> must be only for God and pleasing to him, which is the spiritual way for you to worship." Romans 12:1 (NCV)

#### **FIVE COMMITMENTS**

#### 1. TO STRENGTHEN MY FAITH . . . I MUST

"Those who <u>wait on the Lord</u> shall <u>renew their strength</u>; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31 (NKJV)

*"Worship the Lord with gladness. Come before him, <u>singing with joy.</u>" Psalm 100:2 (NLT)* 

### 2. TO DISCOVER MY IDENTITY & PURPOSE . . .

#### I MUST

"We are like the various parts of a human body. Each part <u>gets its meaning from</u> <u>Christ's body as a whole, not the other way around</u>. The body we're talking about is Christ's body of chosen people. Each of us <u>finds our meaning and function as</u> <u>a part of his body</u>. But as a chopped-off finger or cut-off toe we wouldn't amount to much, would we?" Romans 12:4-5 (MSG)

"Christ <u>brought us together</u> through his death on the cross. The Cross got us to embrace, and that was the end of the hostility." Ephesians 2:16 (MSG)

"God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the <u>ministry of</u> <u>reconciliation</u>... And ... <u>the message of reconciliation</u>." 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 (NIV)

#### 3. TO DEVELOP MY POTENTIAL ... I MUST

"He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it <u>helps the other parts grow</u>." Ephesians 4:16 (NLT)

"God's kingdom isn't about eating and drinking. It is about pleasing God, about living in peace, and about true happiness. All this comes from the Holy Spirit." Romans 14:17 (CEV)

#### 4. TO EXPERIENCE SIGNIFICANCE .... I MUST

"Each of you has received a gift to use to serve others. Be good servants of God's various gifts of grace." 1 Peter 4:10 (NCV)

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

"If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake and for the sake of the Good News, you will save it." Mark 8:35 (NLT)

"Two people are always better than one, because <u>they get more done by working</u> <u>together</u>. If one falls down, <u>the other can help him up</u>. But it is bad for the person who is alone and falls, because no one is there to help. If two lie down <u>together</u>, <u>they will be warm</u>, but a person alone will not be warm. An enemy might defeat one person, but two people together can defend themselves</u>; a rope that is woven of three strings is hard to break." Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NCV)

#### WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER . . .

- WE\_\_\_\_\_(vs 9)
- WE\_\_\_\_\_(vs 10)
- WE \_\_\_\_\_\_ (vs 11)

# 5. TO MAKE AN ETERNAL DIFFERENCE ... I MUST

"Go and make disciples of <u>all nations</u>, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you." Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

"They gave offerings of whatever they could—far more than they could afford!... What explains it was that they had <u>first given themselves unreservedly to God</u> and to us. The other giving simply flowed out of the purposes of God working in their lives." 2 Corinthians 8:3-5 (MSG)

## Next Step

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