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Men's Bible Study Series: 7 Things Winners Do

#4 - They Commit

We have been deceived into working harder yet not being effective

- ❖ Ignorance of true purpose often leads to futile efforts
- Lack of maturity has many all over the place and still unfulfilled
- Seeking to establish self instead of the Kingdom of God has us out of sync with God
- General slothfulness renders many of us unusable

What does the word commit mean?

- 1. carry out or perpetrate (a mistake, crime, or immoral act).
- 2. pledge or bind (a person or an organization) to a certain course or policy.

God has throughout time called men to commitment

- ❖ Genesis 1, 2:15-25 God gives man position, dominion and purpose and understanding of his commitment to God and each other (Gen. 2:22)
 - ➤ When we are committed to God, we can exercise the dominion and authority He has given us Mat. 28:18-20; Rom. 1:16; 2 Tim. 1:12-14
- ❖ Noah build what the has never been seen for what had never been experienced Heb. 11:7
- ❖ Moses lead a people out of what they do not fully comprehend they are in and do it the way I said do it

God is calling us to commit instead

- Our families are waiting for us to commit
- Our communities are waiting for us to commit
- ❖ This world is waiting for us to commit

God is not obligated to keep what you won't commit to Him

- ❖ 2 Tim. 1:11-12
- **Psa.** 37:5
- Proverbs 16:3

Signs of Lack of Commitment

- ❖ What should be working isn't
 - > Your lack of success may not be due to a lack of talent or ability. It may simply be a lack of commitment
 - In marriage 1 Pet. 3:7
 - Parenting Deut. 6:6-9; Joshua 24:15; Eph. 6:1-4
 - Spiritually Deut. 6:5; 2 Tim. 15; 1 Tim. 3:4-5; Luke 9:62
 - Ministry Growth Acts 2:42
 - Professionally –
 - In personal health –
- ❖ You attack excellence instead of pursuing excellence Daniel 5:12; Rom. 12:11
- ❖ Procrastination Luke 9:62; Prov. 6:6-11
 - > Shows that your heart is not totally in it
- ❖ Lack of separation Gen. 2:24; Gal. 2:20; Luke 16:13
- ❖ Lack of faithfulness 2 Tim. 2:2
- Expecting greatness while settling for mediocrity
 - ➤ Is an indicator that we are not willing to go through the process necessary to become what we can be
- ❖ Stagnation Zeph. 1:12
 - ➤ When water does not move, it becomes stagnant

What Does Commitment Look Like?

- ❖ Maintaining your devotion to God Col. 1:22-23; 1 Cor. 15:58
- ❖ Being a man of your word Prov. 20:25; Psalm 26
- ❖ Not being a fair-weather fan
- ❖ Submitting to the process that God will lead you through Pro. 25:4; 2 Pet. 1:3-8
- ❖ Staying true to your family in adversity –