

## Seasons Of Ministry Pt2

*Working In Secret*

### JOHN 9:4

4. ***I must work** the works of him that sent me, **while it is day**: the night cometh, when no man can work.*

### MATTHEW 5:14-16

14. *Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.*

15. *Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. 16. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.*

### MATTHEW 6:1-6

1. *Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. 2. Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. 3. But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: 4. That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.*

5. *And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.*

6. *But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.*

### CHURCH ORDER [63-1226]

...when we used to have street meeting, and let some old brother stand out there, and he'll stand out... And ask him to offer a word of prayer, and he'll pray for the mayor of the city, and for the governor of the state, and for the President of the Union, and--and everybody like that, and all the pastors around, you know, each one by number, and Sister Jones that's in the hospital, and things like that; and the people standing, walking by on the street meeting, just keep--just keep on walking. See? He just wore them out. Well, just a...

See, the main thing now, your prayer is to be in secret, your main, long prayer. Pray all... Enter into the secret closet, close the door. There's where you want to pray all day, all night, or two hours, pray there. But in here, when you've got the attention of the people, make your prayer short, quick, at it. Make all your service...

And put the most of your service time into that Word. That's the main thing! Punch that Word just as hard as you can, see, get the Word to the people.

**JOHN 3:1-2a**

1. *There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:*
- 2a. *The same came to Jesus by night,*

**JOHN 4:4** *And he must needs go through Samaria.*

**MARK 5:2**

2. *And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,*

ONLY BELIEVE [61-0427]

No doubt, but what the Father had led Him over across the sea to Gadara. And we all know the story that there was only **one person** saved; that was a maniac, in Gadara.

**ACTS 8:26-39**

26. *And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.* 27. *And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,* 28. *Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.* 29. *Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.* 30. *And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?* 31. *And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.* 32. *The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:* 33. *In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.* 34. *And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?* 35. *Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.* 36. *And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?* 37. *And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.* 38. *And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.* 39. *And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.*

THOU KNOWEST ALL THINGS [52-0716]

And the eunuch taken that message on down into Africa. Well, there you are. You see, **God knows what to do**. Many times we guess at it, but **God knows just exactly what's right**, doesn't He? Oh, how I love Him, His sovereignty, His goodness, His mercy.

IDENTIFICATION [63-0123] Today as I sat in the room, I had something upon my mind I wanted to speak on tonight, "*The supreme Sacrifice.*" But, seemed, the Holy Spirit seemed to kind of move me sideways from that, over into another channel of thinking. All ministers knows what that is. You, you think you've got something you want to say, and then, all of a sudden, you feel that you should say something else, maybe contrary. **Maybe it's just for one person**. I don't know. But, I'm old enough in Christ, to know to follow the leading of the Spirit. What the Spirit says do, do it.

### **MATTHEW 6:16-18**

*16. Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. 17. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face;*

*18. That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.*

THIRSTING FOR LIFE [60-0304] That's the success of my meetings, is because real godly people pray for me. That's it. That's the reason success in my meetings.

THOU SON OF DAVID HAVE MERCY ON ME [61-0215] My wife at home, my children, my loved ones, people, my friends, has fast and prayed. There's the success. See, every one of us... All of us can't preach, and all of us--some of us can't do one thing, another. But **we can all do something**, and that helps out.

HEAR HIS VOICE [58-1005M] God has a new birth for you. But listen to His still small Voice. Every one of you people who profess to be Christians, get yourself quiet before Him. Don't let the washing hinder. Don't let the work hinder. Don't let nothing hinder. Don't let nobody know what you're doing. Just go before Him. Get up in the woods somewhere. Get out on the side of the road. Go into the secret closet and close the door, when the kids gets at school. There get down on your knees. You've heard all kinds of voices everywhere. But just get down and stay there until those voices are silenced and you begin to lift up. It'll change you. It'll make you different like it did this little Samuel. It'll do something to you if you'll just do it. Now, it'll make you what you should be. It'll make you the kind of Christian that you ought to be.