59. CHALLENGING QUESTIONS TO MOTIVATE CHRISTIANS

These questions may be used to challenge and motivate lukewarm Christians into becoming dedicated, serious minded, committed disciples of Jesus Christ. These questions may help new Christians get **eternal values**, instead of just earthly values, and also to help them grow to take their place as workers and teachers in local churches worldwide. "It is **more blessed to give** than to receive." Acts 20:35. "**Neither count I my life dear** unto myself, so that I might **finish my course with joy.**" Acts 20:24.

Ask: "What are you doing in this life for Jesus Christ?"

- 1. HELL. "I am tormented in this flame." Luke 16:24.
- a) Do you believe in a literal hell that unsaved people go to after death?
- b) Has God given you the **responsibility** to rescue people from hell?
- c) What is the **best strategy** you can use to achieve this life goal?
- 2. WORLD. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel." Mark 16:15.
- a) Do you want to see the world won to Christ?
- b) How can you best achieve this? (by multiplying disciples through local churches).
- c) Have you heard of **Discipleship by Multiplication**?
- d) Do you understand how it works?
- e) Do you want to be part of a worldwide network of multiplying disciples?
- f) Can you see your life's potential in multiplying millions of disciples for Jesus Christ?
- 3. **<u>DISCIPLE</u>**. "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed." John 8:31.
- a) What is a **disciple** of Jesus Christ? (Luke 9:23-26; Mark 8:32-38; Matthew 16:22-28).
- b) Are you a disciple of Jesus Christ? What kind are you?
- c) Do you want to be a disciple and a disciple maker for Jesus Christ? (John 8:31).
- d) Are you willing to continue in Christ's Word, count the cost and pay **the price** to become one?

4. <u>JUDGMENT</u>. "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ." 2 Corinthians 5:10.

- a) Do you believe that you will have to **give account** to God as to how you used your abilities and talents at the Judgment Seat of Christ? (2 Corinthians 5:10 and Romans 14:12).
- b) Have you used your life to **maximum usefulness** for Jesus Christ and in leading people to Christ?
- c) If your life was judged today, would you have any **regrets** at wasting your life by not serving God.
- d) Would you be **ashamed** if you wasted your life for God? (1 John 2:28).
- e) How can you **best use your talents** and abilities for God and getting people into heaven? Do these:
 - learn to share the gospel easily and clearly using the "STOP" tract.
 - support and help other Christians to win the lost.
 - **buy gospel tracts** for third world countries to equip churches to win their countries to Christ.
 - make disciples yourself.
 - learn the Bible and grow in knowledge in a soul winning, Bible teaching church.

- 5. <u>LIFE GOAL</u>. "Where there is no vision, the people perish." Proverbs 29:18.
- a) What is your life's goal? (soul winning, Bible teaching, church planting).
- b) How can you best achieve this goal? (work in a church team).
- c) What things **last forever** that we can invest our lives in? (Word of God and people).
- d) Why invest your life in things of this world which will all pass away, when you can invest your life in things of **eternity** which will never pass away?

"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep, to gain what he cannot lose". "Only one life, 'twill soon be past. Only what's done for Christ will last".

Jesus says, "I died for you. What have you done for me?"

"Expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God". William Carey. "I look upon this world as a wrecked ship. God has given me a lifeboat and said to me, 'Moody, save all you can.' " D.L.Moody. "Evangelisation of the world in this generation."

6. <u>ETERNAL VALUES</u>. "Every man's work shall be made manifest." 1 Corinthians 3:13.

a) Do you have eternal values?

Moody's motto.

- b) How much treasure have you laid up for yourself in heaven? (Matthew 6:20).
- c) Why not do something really great for God and step out from the mooing herd?
- d) What will you be remembered for in 100 years from now?

7. SHARE THE GOSPEL. "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:19.

- a) Do you know how to lead a person to Christ easily and clearly? Would you like to learn?
- b) How will you explain to Christ if you've done nothing to win people to Christ?
- c) Do you want to invest your life in things of eternal value?
- d) When can we meet for a discipleship Bible study?
- e) Will you come to church this Sunday?
- f) Will you come soul winning or door knocking with me this week?

"Set your affection on **things above**, not on things on the earth." Colossians 3:2. "Lift up your eyes, look on the fields for they are **white already to harvest.**" John 4:35. "Go into the highways, and **as many as ye shall find,** bid to the marriage." Matthew 22:9. "Whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, **I will repay thee**." Luke 10:35.

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"If therefore ye have not been faithful in unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the **true riches**?"

"Moreover, it is required in stewards, that **a man be found faithful.**" 1 Cor. 4:2.

"If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss." 1 Cor. 3:15.

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"Abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and **not be ashamed** before him at his coming."