

A Life of Commitment

I. The Power of Commitment

1. Commitments show my _____ (Matthew 6:24)
2. Commitments shape my _____ (Proverbs 4:23)
3. Commitments determine my _____ (Mark 8:37)

II. The Price of Commitment

"If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciples." Luke 14:26

I GIVE CHRIST...

- * The first _____ of each day.

"In the morning, O Lord, You will hear my voice; in the morning I will order my prayer to You and eagerly watch." Psalm 5:3

- * The first _____ of every week.

"On the first day of the week, the disciples came together..." Acts 20:7

- * The first _____ of every paycheck.

"Honor the Lord from your wealth and from the first of all your produce." Proverbs 3:9

- * The first _____ in every decision.

"Trust in the Lord with all of your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6

III. The Pitfalls of Commitment

1. We get _____.

"The worries of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful." Mark 4:19

2. We become _____.

"Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord."
Romans 12:11

IV. The Payoff for Commitment to Christ

"Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, who shall not receive many times as much at this time and in the age to come, eternal life." Luke 18:29-30

"His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave; you were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'" Matthew 25:23

Eternal Benefits:

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

"The eyes of the Lord move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His." 2 Chronicles 16:9