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Afternoon: Why I Am A Member of the Church of Christ ~ John Brown

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### WHAT IS INVOLVED IN CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY?

by Charles Box

A true Christian is a Christ-like person in words, thoughts and actions. He denies himself for the sake of Jesus. Jesus said, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me" (Luke 9:23) The Christian works in a life changing way by bringing every thought into subjection or captivity to Christ. "Casting down imaginations (arguments) and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ" (2 Corinthians 10:5). There is no privilege on earth greater than that of being a Christian.

A Christian is a person that has, from the heart, obeyed the gospel of Christ (Acts 2:36-41). The world can see the difference as this person lives a Christ-like life (2 Timothy 2:19). When a person dies to sin, and is buried with Christ in baptism, they are to arise to walk in newness of life (Romans 6:1-4). A true Christian will be steady and unshakable in the faith of Jesus Christ; thus, accepting his or her Christian responsibility. What is involved in Christian responsibility?

Christian Responsibility Includes Living A Consistent Christian Life. The Bible teaches personal responsibility and accountability to God. We are accountable to God for the life we live. The sadness of all sadnesses would be for death to

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#### **Times of Services:**

##### Sunday

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PM Worship:....6:00pm

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##### Wednesday

Bible Study:.....7:00pm

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come and find us as failures in living a consistent Christian life. And certainly we all know that death will come for, "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). If death should come now how would it find you spiritually? "But why dost thou judge they brother? or why dost thou set at nought they brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:10-12).

Christian Responsibility Includes Being A Christian Example. Christian growth should bring us to the point of a life of love, peace, joy and meekness. We should be like our master, Jesus Christ. Paul wrote, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another" (Galatians 5:22-26). Following this simple teaching will produce a powerful Christian example.

Christian Responsibility Includes Daily Bible Study. It is from the Bible that we learn of God. We read, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth" (Genesis 1:1). It is from the Bible that we learn God's will for man. It is from the Bible that we learn our responsibility toward God. The Bible is God's word. When we think of the Bible "Revelation" is the key word. I do not here speak of the book of Revelation, but that the Bible came by revelation of God (2 Peter 1:21). The Bible is trustworthy and dependable. Have you read your Bible today?

Christian Responsibility Includes Having The Right Attitude. Our attitude toward our spouse, children, parents, siblings, neighbors, co-workers and fellow Christians will be one factor that will determine our eternal destiny. Is my attitude toward others what a Christian's attitude should be? A true Christian must always have the right attitude about life. He can, "Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice!" (Philippians 4:4). Why would I not keep my attitude right if I believe that "all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).

Christian Responsibility Includes Attending All Services Of The Lord's Church. Christians are warned to, "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching" (Hebrews 10:25). I need the strength of Christian fellowship. I want my attitude to be that of David when he said, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." (Psalm 122:1) Jesus will be present in the assembly, will you? "It is a fearful thing to fall into hands of the living God," guilty of willfully forsaking the assembly of the church.

Christian Responsibility Includes A Daily Prayer Life. Prayer is both a responsibility and a privilege for a Christian. Jesus said, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye will find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." (Matthew 7:7) Many of the great promises of Jesus relate to prayer. For example, Jesus said, "And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive" (Matthew 21:22). God does answer the prayer of a faithful Christian. The Christian life must be a life of daily prayer.

Christian Responsibility Includes Scriptural Giving. Our giving must include the giving of our time, talent and money. But, if we do not give our money it is difficult to give anything else. "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves no not break through and steal" (Matthew 6:19-20) What a statement -- "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give unto your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again" (Luke 6:38). Our giving or lack of it, can either cause God to withhold blessings from us or to give so much we cannot even receive all that He gives (Malachi 3:8-11). Let us learn to be liberal in our giving.

Christian Responsibility Includes Efforts To Save Those Who Are Not Christians. It is the responsibility of one Christian to teach another about Christ. "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also" (II Timothy 2:2). Evangelism is a command of the Lord Jesus. "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15) Christians must teach the lost about the one that brings salvation. The joy of Christianity is in bringing others to Christ. The challenge for each of us is to spend enough time with Jesus that we can become soul-winners. Are you fulfilling your Christian responsibility?

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*"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich"*  
(II Corinthians 8:9).

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- July 14 –Tent Meeting w/ John Brown – Preach-N-Eat & 1:30 Worship
- July 28 – Song Service
- Aug 1-3 – Tent Meeting in Lansing
- Aug 4 – Men’s Business Meeting & Ladies’ Class
- Please give support money for Chinese orphans to Minnie Kennell