

MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH
SERMON NOTES - PASTOR MERRITT K. HOLE - 09/18/16 - M.S.

"Let's Build Our Church!"

Revelation 3:7-13

INTRO: The Lord has a mission for each of us to complete (cp. Acts 20:24). He has a plan for us to follow and has equipped us with the things we need to do our job for Him. The question is: "Will you faithfully do that for which the Lord has made you?" Will you faithfully serve?

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CONCL: It is not our salvation, but our service that the Lord will examine at His judgment seat (2Co. 5:10). What have we done with our spiritual gift? How have we edified the Body of Christ? What ways did we seek to glorify Him before a watching world? Can you say with Paul: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:" (2Tm. 4:7)? Let's roll!

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"Is Jesus Really All We Need?!"

Habakkuk 3:17-19

INTRO: When the Lord is doing everything just the way we think it should be done, it seems very easy to trust Him. However, what do we do when He is not following OUR plan? In fact, what do we do when He not only is not following our all-wise plan, but is taking us through some very troubling times? Do we still trust Him? What does it mean to be the just who live by faith? (Hab. 2:4)

I. THE CHALLENGE TO OUR TRUST - v. 17

1. What If We Lose Our Food?

2. What If We Lose Our Finances?

II. THE COMMITMENT OF OUR TRUST - v. 18

1. We Determine To Worship Who He Is

2. We Determine To Worship What He Is

III. THE CAUSE FOR OUR TRUST - v. 19

1. He Makes Us Strong

2. He Makes Us Stable

3. He Makes Us Secure

CONCL: It is easier to trust when we remember that trust begins and ends with a cross. Is not the Lord, Who hung in our place on Calvary, trustworthy beyond compare?! Wiersbe notes, "God doesn't always change the circumstances, but he can change us to meet the circumstances. That's what it means to live by faith."

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