

LOOKING OUT FOR OTHER PEOPLE

5/9/20

- * Today -- I have the opportunity to give a sermon
- * Last week -- Who's Looking Out for You?
- * This week -- Looking Out For Other People

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* Foundational Scriptures

Gal. 6:9 let us not grow weary while doing good
10 as we have opportunity, let us do good to all
 -- especially to those who are of the
 household of faith

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LET US DO GOOD TO ALL

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- * You Can Serve Mankind in a Variety of Ways
 - 1. Through the Civil Government
 - 2. Through Charities -- including religious charities
 - 3. Through Congregations
 - 4. Personal Actions

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- 1. Serving Through the Civil Government
 - Through your taxes
 - Exod. 23:11 -- national law -- poor -- in the field
 - Deut. 15:7-11 -- national law -- help poor willingly
 - Deut. 24:19-21 -- national law -- leave for poor
 - Through your time -- volunteer or paid employee
- Joseph
 - Gen. 41:42-45 -- Pharaoh placed Joseph the land of Egypt
 - 43 -- second chariot
 - 55 -- go to Joseph; whatever he says, do
- Daniel
 - Dan. 6:1 -- Darius set up 120 states -- each with leaders
 - 2 -- Darius set up 3 governors
 - 3 -- Daniel distinguished himself

Some quick warnings.....

No civil government in this world is the Kingdom of God
We are not to allow anything to become idolatry in our life
Serving in civil government

NOT automatically idolatry
must NOT conflict with loving God
must NOT conflict with loving our neighbor
Acts 5:29 -- We ought to obey God rather than man

2. Serving Through Charities -- including religious charities
Through donations
3. Serving Through Congregations
Through tithes and offerings
Gal. 2:6-10 -- if different audiences -- help the poor
4. Serving Through Personal Actions
Time and money

ESPECIALLY THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH

*Let's begin this section by saying -- The Household of Faith is
Difficult to Absolutely Identity
Matt. 7:21-23 -- not everyone who says "Lord, Lord"
Titus 1:16 -- they profess to know God
2 Timothy 2:19 -- "The Lord knows those who are His"

* Don't be foolish -- Serve the need
Matt. 25:35-40 -- served the need
James 2:14-16 -- clothing and food
1 John 3:16-17 -- in need

* Don't be too hard on people -- Serve the need
1 Tim. 5:3-16 -- family, then the church
3 -- Moffatt -- supported from the funds
5-14 -- criteria

5	really a widow & left alone	10	relieved	the
	afflicted			
	trusts in God		diligently	good work
	supplications night and day	11	refuse	younger
6	avoid living in pleasure		wanton	against Christ
7	blameless		they	desire to marry
9	Moffatt -- no one under 60	12	cast off	first faith
	wife of one man	13	learn to be	idle
10	well reported for good works		gossips &	busybodies
	has brought up children		saying	things
	has lodged strangers	14	younger widows --	to
	has washed the saints' feet		marry	& have
	children			

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* On 8/4/2012 -- I gave a sermon titled "Are You
Helping Other People Carry Their Cross?"

Luke 14:27 disciples are taught to carry their cross

* Must believers always carry their own cross?

* Or are you helping people carry their cross?

Luke 23:26 Simon helped the Son of God -- (also -- Matthew 27:32
and Mark 15:21)

* Song -- Somebody's Praying Me Through