

## 事奉主（贰）

### Serving the Lord (II)

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#### III. How to Serve the Lord

（一）‘若有人服事我（主耶稣），就当跟从我；我在那里，服事我的人，也要在那里。’约翰十二章二十六节。

##### 1. “If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there also My servant will be” (John 12:26).

事奉主，必须跟从主。主当日在地上所走的路，我们事奉祂的人，今日在地上也必须走。祂走什么路，我们也必须走什么路。祂在那里，我们也必须在那里。祂怎样拣选十字架，向着自己的一切而死，甘心走十字架的路，我们也必须这样。祂怎样拒绝自己的意思，而活在神的旨意里，我们也必须如此。我们必须跟从祂，与祂同在，才能事奉祂。

To serve the Lord, we must follow the Lord. When the Lord was on earth, He walked a path that we must follow in order to serve Him. We must take His way. We must be where He is. Just as He died to Himself and willingly chose the way of the cross in everything, we must do the same. Just as He refused His own will and lived according to God's will, we must do the same. In order to serve Him, we must follow Him and be with Him.

（二）‘大卫按神的旨意，服事了他那一世的人。’行传十三章三十六节，希伯来十章七节。

##### 2. “David...served his own generation by the counsel of God” (Acts 13:36; see also Heb. 10:7).

我们事奉主，当然是要服事我们同世的人。但这必须是‘按神的旨意’而作的，像大卫当初所作的一样。我们若不按神的旨意服事人，就不过是服事人，不能算是事奉主。惟有按神的旨意而作的，才能算是事奉主。

In serving the Lord we must serve those of our own generation. However, we must serve by the counsel of God, just as David did in his time. If we do not serve by the counsel of God, we are merely serving people, not serving God. Only what is done according to the counsel of God can be counted as service to the Lord.

（三）‘他的主人就要…穿他的耳朵，他就永远服事主人。’出埃及二十一章五至六节，以赛亚五十五章四节。

##### 3. “His master shall bore his ear through with an awl; and he shall serve him forever” (Exo. 21:6; see also Isa. 50:4).

事奉主，既是作主的奴仆服事主，就需要照主的意思而行，不可照自己的心意行事。所以事奉主就需要能听主的话。因为能听主的话，才能晓得主的意思。一个事奉主的人，必须能好好听主的话，才能得知主的意思，而事奉得合乎主的心意，讨主的喜悦。就是为这缘故，神在旧约的预表里，要人穿通那要永远服事主人之奴仆的耳朵，我们必须有能听的耳朵，必须有被主对付过、被主穿通的耳朵，能听主的话，才能事奉主。

Because our service to the Lord is the service of a slave, we should act according to the Lord's will, not according to our own desires. Thus, in order to serve the Lord, we need to hear His word. We can know the Lord's will only when we hear His word. Those who serve the Lord must hear the Lord so that they can know His will and serve according to His desire in order to please Him. In the Old Testament a slave who wanted to serve his master forever would have his ear bored through with an awl by his master according to God's command. This is a type of a serving one who has ears to hear the word of the Lord in order to serve Him. Our ears must be bored through by the Lord so that we can hear His word and serve Him.

（四）‘他们必亲近我，事奉我，并且侍立在我面前。’以西结四十四章十五节。

##### 4. “They shall come near to Me to minister to Me; and they shall stand before Me” (Ezek. 44:15).

我们有了能听的耳朵，还必须亲近主，事奉主，侍立在主面前，才能知道主要我们作什么，并主要我们怎样作。惟有这样，也必须这样，我们所作的，才是照着主的意思事奉主，才能构得上主的心意，而蒙主悦纳。

Once we have ears to hear, we must come near to the Lord, minister to the Lord, and stand before the Lord. Then we will know what He wants us to do and how He wants us to do it. In this way we can serve Him according to His will, match His heart's desire, and be acceptable to Him.

(五) ‘禁食祈求，昼夜事奉神’——‘他们事奉主，禁食的时候’。路加二章三十七节，行传十三章二节。

**5. “Serving God with fastings and petitions night and day”; “They were ministering to the Lord and fasting” (Luke 2:37; Acts 13:2).**

我们事奉主，不只需要亲近主，时常侍立在主面前，并且需要禁食祈祷，以寻求主。禁食是表示我们甘愿舍弃合法的享受，而刻苦自己，以寻求主的心意，并成全主的旨意。祈祷是祈求主显明祂的心意，并成全祂的旨意。在我们对主的事奉里，禁食和祈祷都是不可少的。一个对主刚强的事奉，必定有祈祷，也必定有禁食。

In serving the Lord we need to **fast and pray to seek Him** in addition to contacting Him and standing before Him. **To fast means that we are willing to give up our rightful enjoyment and to suffer in order to seek the Lord's desire and accomplish the Lord's will. To pray means to ask the Lord to reveal His desire and to accomplish His will.** We must not be lacking in prayer and fasting in our service to the Lord. Strong and proper service to the Lord includes both prayer and fasting.

(六) ‘忠心有见识的仆人。’马太二十四章四十五节。

**6. “The faithful and prudent slave” (Matt. 24:45).**

我们事奉主，也得忠心而有见识。光忠心不够，还得有见识。忠心而没有见识，就会把我们事奉主的事，弄得一塌糊涂，结果与我们事奉主的心愿正是相反。忠心加上见识，才会叫我们事奉主的心愿得着成全。

We must also **be faithful and prudent** in our service to the Lord. Faithfulness must be accompanied with prudence. If we are faithful without being prudent, we will make a mess of our service to the Lord, and the result of our service will be the exact opposite of our desire in serving Him. Only faithfulness with prudence can fulfill our desire in serving the Lord.

(七) ‘你们腰里要束上带，灯也要点着，…等候主人…回来。’路加十二章三十五至三十六节。

**7. “Let your loins be girded and your lamps burning, and you be like men waiting for their own master when he returns” (Luke 12:35-36).**

主在这里告诉我们，事奉祂，也得束腰、点灯，并等候祂回来。束腰是不松懈，点灯是活在光中，等候主是儆醒。这些都是我们事奉主，所必须具备的条件。

In order to serve Him, we must **gird our loins, have our lamps burning, and wait for the Lord's return**. Girding our loins means that we are **not loose**, having a burning lamp means that we **live in the light**, and waiting for the Lord means that we are **watchful**. Our service to the Lord must be according to these conditions.

(八) ‘行完我的路程，成就我从主耶稣所领受的职事。’行传二十章二十四节。

**8. “That I may finish my course and the ministry which I have received from the Lord Jesus” (Acts 20:24).**

事奉主，也得忠心到底，不可有始无终，半途而废。我们在对主的事奉上，不可轻举妄动，必须清楚主所分派给我们的职事，知道主所要我们行的路程。一旦清楚了、知道了，就要忠心坚忍，行完当行的路程，成就从主所领受的职事。

We must **be faithful to the end** in our service to the Lord. We must not begin and then quit, leaving things half done. We must not be loose or light in the matter of serving the Lord. **We must be clear about the ministry that the Lord has allotted to us and know the course that the Lord wants us to finish.** Once we are clear about the course that the Lord has chosen, we must be faithful and endure, finishing the course and fulfilling the ministry that we have received from the Lord.

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