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The “Someday I’ll Get Around To It” Mentality

Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest” (Matthew 9:37-38).

One Day, God will judge you for how you have accomplished the work He has given you to do. Will you be judged to have been a faithful servant of God who was diligent doing whatever you were capable of doing? Or, will you be judged to have been a wicked and lazy servant who often neglected your responsibilities – believing that somebody else can and should take care of the work?

In this lesson, I want to warn you about the mentality that says, “Somebody else can do it” – and encourage you to adopt a very different mentality toward the work that God has given you to do.

What Is This Mentality?

Before we dig deeper into our investigation of this mentality, let’s be certain that we understand what it is – and why it is dangerous.

Defining this mentality

This mentality recognizes that God has given His people work to accomplish – and that people need to be committed to accomplishing this work. However, this mentality puts most or all of the responsibility of accomplishing this work on somebody else. This mentality fails to properly consider your own abilities and opportunities so as to do God’s work yourself.

What this mentality accomplishes

As you can already see, this mentality does accomplish some things. Please take a moment to consider four definite things that are accomplished by the “Somebody else can do it” mentality.

(1) This mindset puts all the burdens on someone else. God has described His church as a body (see 1 Corinthians 12:12-27). Every person who is a Christian is part of this body. 1 Corinthians 12:27 says, “Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually.” God plainly recognizes that (just like it is true in a physical body) every member of the body does not perform the exact same

“Once upon a time there were four men named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it. But Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it. But Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about it, because it was Everybody’s job. Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, and Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn’t do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody and Nobody did the job that Anybody could have done in the first place. At last report, these four men were still arguing and the job they were supposed to do still wasn’t done” (Author unknown).

How many times are you guilty of leaving undone the things that you are capable of doing yourself because you have the mentality that “somebody else can do it”? Perhaps you think that someone else is more qualified than you are to do the job. Perhaps you think that you have done your fair share and that it is now someone else’s turn. Perhaps you are not all that engaged in the work that you are capable of doing because you take for granted the fact that somebody else will volunteer for the work.

This lesson is designed to serve as a warning to you if you possess this mindset – particularly toward the work of God. God has enough work to do that He can use the full participation of everyone who desires to follow Him! Jesus told His disciples, “The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few.

function. Instead, God recognizes that it is truly a wonderful thing that there is diversity of abilities and opportunities within the body of Jesus Christ. But, just think about what it does to your physical body if several members just decided to stop doing what they were capable of doing. If one of your eyes stopped seeing, your other eye would have to work even harder and more pressure would be put on it to do what it could do to provide sight to the body. If one of your hands decided to stop doing what it can do, your other hand would be left all alone in doing the work and would soon become wearied in trying to do the work itself (and, some tasks that required two hands simply would not be accomplished). We would not appreciate the physical members of our bodies to do this to us. But, many Christians do this to the God who died for them! Rather than doing whatever they are capable of doing, they put all or most of the work onto another brother or sister in Christ. Doing so increases the burden on them and sometimes means that the work simply does not get done!

(2) This mindset makes excuses for why you “shouldn’t” be the one to do the work. Perhaps you have something else that you have chosen to do rather than do the work of the Lord. Perhaps you say that you do not have the ability to do a certain task (when you really just don’t want to develop that skill). Perhaps you believe that someone else can do the thing better than you can. Perhaps you don’t think you have the time for the work (when you really just don’t want to take the time). There are all kinds of excuses that people use for why they should not be the ones to do particular works for the Lord. But, at the heart of all these excuses lies the real reason. Perhaps it is fear. Perhaps it is laziness. Perhaps it is a lack of commitment to serving God. Regardless, we should never be surprised at the lengths people will go to excuse themselves from their God-given responsibilities. For instance, “The lazy man says, ‘There is a lion outside! I shall be slain in the streets!’” (Proverbs 22:13). Here is a man who recognized that lions existed in his part of the world. It was barely possible that a lion could be standing outside. So, at the mere possibility that a lion could be outside his house, he chose to stay inside. Of course, the Bible tells us that this was just a way to

excuse his real problem of laziness. The truth of the matter is that this man does not want to go outside – because that would require some effort and result in work being done. So it is with many Christians today. They make excuses as to why they should not be the ones to do the work God has given to be done. But, they do not seem to recognize that God sees through their excuses – and so may many of their brethren!

(3) This mindset stunts your spiritual growth. God expects every child of His to be growing in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18). Each one is expected to advance from being a new babe in Christ to being mature. And, it is important to recognize that this process of spiritual growth should never stop as long as you live on this earth. Whenever you are not growing in this way, God is concerned about you! There is a time at which He expects you to have matured in your faith. For instance, Hebrews 5:12 says, “For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.” Certainly, those who are excusing their failure to do the work of God are stunting their own spiritual growth. Rather than pushing themselves to develop more skills in the kingdom of God, they stay stuck at their current skill level. They never move beyond what they are comfortable doing. Although they expect that their brethren be growing and maturing (and even applaud the efforts of these brethren), they just do not push themselves to grow in these same ways.

(4) This mindset robs God. God wants and expects every member of His body to be giving his/her all to His work. But, I want you to consider that whenever this is not done, the result is robbing glory from God! You see, God wants to bring glory to Himself through your service. But, whenever you will not do what you are capable of doing, you rob Him of that amount of glory! For instance, consider the situation addressed in Malachi 3:8: “Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, ‘In what way have we robbed You?’ In tithes and offerings.” Earlier in the book, Malachi was addressing a situation in which those who were supposed to be God’s people were offering corrupt sacrifices to God. Rather than bringing Him the best

that they were capable of bringing Him, they brought Him their blind, lame, and sick animals to sacrifice. In doing so, they robbed God! The same thing is true whenever people are only willing to give a partial amount in serving God today. Rather than doing everything they can to serve God, they decide they will only give Him so much. Yet, this robs God of all the glory He deserves from us!

Some questions this mentality asks

Now, before we go any further in this lesson, I want to be more specific as to what this mentality looks like. Here are some examples of the kinds of questions this mentality will ask.

- “Why should I have to do ‘x’ whenever my other brethren can do it – and probably even do a ‘better’ job?”
- “Does God really expect me to push myself beyond what I am comfortable doing?”
- “How much does God really expect me to do for Him?”
- “Why would God ever want me to do ‘x’ in His service? Surely, He know all of my faults and all of my weaknesses.”
- “Why isn’t brother or sister ‘so-and-so’ taking care of that work? Doesn’t he/she know that it needs done?”
- “Who can do the work that God wants to be done? Why hasn’t someone volunteered to take care of it?”

This mentality must be avoided

This is just a sample of questions that this mentality asks. In all of these questions, you can see that there is a lack of interest in giving as much in God’s service as you are capable of giving. And, you can also see that there is a recognition that the work still needs to be done, but that the responsibility for doing the work has been passed off to somebody else.

This mentality is, ultimately, focused on self rather than God. Rather than seeking to do as much as you have the ability and opportunity to do in God’s service, you try to see what you can “get by” with doing – while leaving the rest of the work either undone or left to somebody else. There is a lack of

interest in God’s work and using your entire life in God’s service. And, this mentality simply lacks the understanding or application that God will judge you based on what He knows that you have been capable of doing in His service (as taught in Matthew 25:14-30)!

Areas In Which This Mentality Is Manifested

Let’s now begin to think about this mentality in a very practical way. We want to consider some specific areas in which this mentality rears its ugly head. We want to consider two parts to this problem. First, this mentality often makes itself known with regard to the things that pertain to local churches. Second, this mentality often is seen in the work that individual Christians have been given to do.

Leadership of the local church

God has given the local church a blueprint for there to be saints (Christians), elders, and deacons (Philippians 1:1). Both elders and deacons represent “offices” in the local church. That is, they require that men be appointed to these positions who meet the God-given qualifications. However, there are many situations (especially pertaining to the office of the eldership) in which men in the congregation who could be qualified do not desire to do the work God has given elders to do. Instead, those who could serve as elders sit back and want other people to do the work. Also, in congregations that do not have elders and deacons, it is common for many men of the congregation not to attend or participate in the men’s business meetings. Instead, they put it all on the other men to make decisions and do the work that needs done. However, it would be better for every man in the congregation to do as much as he can to do his part in the leadership of the church (according to God’s blueprint)!

The worship of the local church

God wants every local church to assemble together and worship Him. The authorized acts of

public worship in the assemblies of the local church are: Singing (Colossians 3:16), praying (1 Corinthians 14:15), taking the Lord's Supper on the first day of the week (Acts 20:7), financial giving on the first day of the week (1 Corinthians 16:1-2), and public teaching/preaching (Acts 20:7). Then, consider that every time there is a local church that is engaged in these acts of the public worship, someone must lead the congregation in this worship. God has given this responsibility to the men of the congregation (see 1 Corinthians 14:34-35 and 1 Timothy 2:11-12). However, it is common for men of the congregation to only be willing to do so much in leading the public worship. And, it is common that many of the men will not work to develop their abilities to do more in leading the congregation. Instead, they take for granted the fact that somebody else will be willing to lead the worship in the other areas (i.e. the teaching and the singing). However, it would be better for every man in the congregation to be eager to do as much as he can to lead the public worship!

The work of the local church

God has tasked the local church with the works of spreading the gospel to the lost (1 Thessalonians 1:8), edifying the saved (Ephesians 4:11-16), and showing benevolence toward needy Christians (1 Corinthians 16:1-4). Yet, it is common for many of the members of the church to only be involved in this work to a lesser degree than they are capable. For instance, some members will only contribute a set amount of money each week – and consider that to be their only responsibility in the work of the church! Some never consider how they can take an active role in the church's work of teaching the lost (i.e. by helping to distribute flyers, by going door-to-door, etc.). Some never consider how they can take an active role in the church's work of edifying the saved (i.e. by attending every assembly possible, by teaching a Bible class, etc.). Some never consider how they can take an active role in the church's work of showing benevolence toward needy Christians (i.e. by giving more to the church's collections, by helping to distribute the funds that have been collected, etc.). Instead of every member participating to the fullest extent in these areas, many choose to leave the work to someone else. However,

it would be better for every member of the congregation to be zealous for the Lord's work and want to contribute as much as possible!

The assemblies of the local church

As I have already referenced, God has given the local church the responsibility to assemble together (see 1 Corinthians 14:23, 26; Acts 20:6). In doing so, He has also given each member of the local church the responsibility to be present for the assemblies (Hebrews 10:24-25). Each member is tasked with the responsibility to consider how to stir up the brethren to love and good works, not neglecting the assembling together of the local church. Yet, it is common for members of the local church to put other things above these assemblies. In doing so, they serve as a discouragement to their brothers and sisters who are faithfully attending the assemblies. And, they are taking for granted that they can count on their other brothers and sisters to faithfully attend and carry on the assemblies without them. However, it would be better for every member of the congregation to put God first in their lives and choose to be present whenever the local church assembles together!

Personal evangelism

In addition to things relative to the local church, this mentality rears its ugly head in the personal lives of those who are Christians. For one, God has given every single Christian the responsibility to teach the gospel of Christ to those who are lost. This is something that God has said a servant of the Lord *must* do (2 Timothy 2:24-26)! Yet, there are many Christians who are willing to allow opportunities to teach the gospel of Christ to pass them by. Rather than taking advantage of their opportunities, it is common for Christians to decide that someone else will teach those people the gospel. However, it would be better for every Christian to be devoted to spreading the gospel of Christ whenever and wherever there is opportunity to do so!

Serving others

Christians have been given the responsibility to do good to all people as they have opportunity (Galatians 6:9). This even includes doing the lowly

works of serving other people and making sacrifices of yourself to do so. Yet, there are many people who are not willing to sacrifice of themselves in order to serve others. Instead of doing whatever they can do when they see opportunities to serve, they pass by on the other side (like the priest and Levite in Jesus' parable of the good Samaritan in Luke 10:25-37). In passing these opportunities to serve, they may sincerely believe that someone else will help them. However, it would be better for every Christian to evaluate every opportunity to serve and simply do whatever he/she is capable of doing!

Edification

God expects every Christian to be concerned about the spiritual well-being of every other Christian. He expects this so much that God wants His people to be working to edify (build up their brothers and sisters in Christ in the faith) every single day (see Hebrews 3:12-13). Yet, many Christians are so focused on their own needs and situations that they do not take advantage of opportunities to encourage others. Instead, they may leave the work of edifying to the ones who are faithful in doing that work. However, it would be better for every Christian to embrace the personal responsibility God has given him/her to building up the brethren!

Hospitality

God expects every Christian to be devoted to hospitality (see Romans 12:13; 1 Peter 4:9). He wants every Christian to demonstrate love and generosity toward their brothers and sisters in Christ – as well as toward those who are outside of Christ. Yet, many Christians allow months and months (and maybe years) to pass without ever showing hospitality toward someone else. Instead, many Christians leave the work of hospitality to their brethren they believe to have the “nicest” homes to entertain guests in or to those who have the “clearest” schedules to show such hospitality. However, it would be better for every Christian to be devoted to showing hospitality according to each one's abilities and opportunities.

Visiting

God wants every Christian who is able to do so to visit others. James 1:27 indicates that visiting orphans and widows in their trouble is part of pure and undefiled religion before God. Jesus also indicates that how we have taken opportunities to visit the sick and those in prison will be part of the criteria He will use to judge us (see Matthew 25:31-46). Yet, there are many Christians who do not take the time and put forth the effort involved in visiting those who may be sick, lonely, etc. Instead, they may take their brethren for granted and assume that somebody else is doing the visiting. However, it would be better for every single Christian to do what he/she is capable of doing to show others his/her great care by visiting!

Family roles

God has clearly defined roles within the family. The man has been given the responsibility of being the head of the household and leading it in the ways of God. His responsibilities include loving his wife, providing for the family, and training his children in the ways of God (Ephesians 5:22-6:4). The woman has the responsibility of respecting her husband and submitting to him, loving her children, and keeping the home (Ephesians 5:22-33; Titus 2:4-5). Children have been given the responsibility of obeying their parents (Ephesians 6:1-3). Yet, many Christians do not fulfill their God-given roles in the home. Instead, they change their roles or try to delegate their responsibilities to others. In failing to do what God has given them to do, the work must either be done by somebody else in the family or it will be left undone. However, it would be better for every Christian to fully embrace the roles that God has given in the home!

Comparing Attitudes

As you evaluate all of the areas we have just been considering, I want you to honestly think about your attitude toward the work of God. As you do, let's spend a few moments considering the attitudes

others have had toward the work of God. In doing so, I simply want you to evaluate which of these attitudes more closely reflects your attitude toward God's work.

Moses

Whenever God informed Moses (at the burning bush) that he had been tasked with leading the Israelites out of Egyptian slavery, Moses replied, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" (Exodus 3:11). Yet, after God explained how He would be with Moses and all that Moses would accomplish, Moses was still skeptical. Then, Moses offered an excuse. He told the Lord, "O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue" (Exodus 4:10). Even after God said that He was the one who made man's mouth and that He would be with Moses, Moses still replied, "O my Lord, please send by the hand of whomever else You may send" (Exodus 4:13). Although the Lord allowed Moses to take his brother Aaron along as a spokesman, the Lord was angry with Moses for his resistance to His will – and for his desire that somebody else be sent rather than him!

Gideon

Whenever the Israelites had done evil in God's sight, He delivered them into the hands of the Midianites to be oppressed (Judges 6-8). However, God informed Gideon that He would use him to deliver the Israelites. However, when the Angel of the Lord informed Gideon of this, Gideon initially responded, "O my Lord, how can I save Israel? Indeed my clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house" (Judges 6:15). At first, this man really questioned how he could possibly accomplish this great work for God. I'm sure he knew all of his faults and weaknesses. However, after God assured him that He would be with him, Gideon demonstrated his great faith in leading 300 men against a very large army – and emerged victorious!

Jonah

Whenever the word of God came to Jonah, commanding him to go to Nineveh and cry out

against the wickedness of that city, he instead fled to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord (Jonah 1:1-3). After God disciplined Jonah by causing him to spend three days in the belly of the great fish, God again commanded Jonah to go to Nineveh. This time, he went (Jonah 3:1-4). Although I cannot explain to you why Jonah decided to rebel against the commandment of the Lord, the fact remains that he simply chose (at first) not to do what he was capable of doing in obedience to the Lord!

Isaiah

After Isaiah saw a great vision of God sitting on His throne (Isaiah 6:1-7), he heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us? (Isaiah 6:8). Then, Isaiah responded to the voice of the Lord: "Here am I! Send me" (Isaiah 6:8). Indeed, God would use Isaiah to make His word known among His people and warn them about their wickedness. Surely, Isaiah could have used many different excuses as to why he could not do the work God needed done. Yet, his mindset was such that God could use him in His service – however He pleased!

Which is closer to your attitude?

I'm sure that every one of these individuals had some questions about their abilities in God's service. Moses was uncertain about his abilities. Gideon questioned why God would want to use him. Jonah fled God's work. Isaiah even recognized that he was a sinner (Isaiah 6:5). You can probably relate to them all in some way. Perhaps you question your ability to do anything meaningful in God's service. Perhaps you are intimidated by the task God has given you to accomplish. Perhaps you are fearful. Perhaps you lack the right amount of faith in God. Regardless, you should recognize that God could use each one of these people – just as He can use you. So, rather than being like Moses and trying to convince God why He should use someone else, you should be like Isaiah and be willing to go wherever God desires and do whatever His will for you is!

God Can Use You!

Don't put the work of God on somebody else. God has given them work to do already. God will use them however He sees fit. Instead, you must recognize that you have an important part to play in the service of the Lord. Therefore, you must simply give yourself to God so that you will glorify Him as much as you can by your life!

You are a valuable part of the whole

Earlier in this lesson, we considered the fact that you are individually a member of the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:27). Therefore, you do not need to focus on doing *all* of the work that God has given for people to do throughout this world. Instead, you need to recognize that you simply must do everything that you can to fulfill your role as part of the body. There is no part of the body that God considers to be insignificant – just as every member of your physical body serves an important (though different) function. No matter who you are and what you are capable of doing, God can use you in His service to His honor and glory! Think about all the examples of people in the Bible. He used a small shepherd boy to defeat a giant and be king over His people. He used common and uneducated people (fishermen) to catch souls for Him. Yes, many examples can be seen throughout the Bible about how every Christian is an important part of the body!

God expects you to supply your part

No matter what role an individual has as part of the body, he/she is expected to do all that he/she is capable of doing. Speaking of the body of Christ and those who make up the body in Ephesians 4:16, Paul wrote, “from whom [Christ] the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.” Please recognize that God knows exactly what you are capable of contributing in His service. And, you will be judged as a steward of what you have been given (read Matthew 25:14-30). You must not be like the man in Jesus' parable who had been given one talent (likely of gold) to

manage according to his ability. Rather than using this talent for good in the master's service, he was afraid and hid it in the ground. This servant was punished for being wicked and lazy whenever the master returned. So it will also be with those who are lazy concerning their work for the Lord. Those who do not do what they are capable of doing in God's service will be punished one Day as wicked and lazy servants of God!

God expects you to be growing

Then, not only does God expect you to be doing the best you can do with what you already have, but He also expects you to be growing! 2 Peter 3:18 says, “but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ....” Hebrews 5:12, again, states that there is a point at which God expects His children to have matured – even to being teachers. So, God is not pleased if you are only staying the same. He wants you to be increasing! He wants you to push and challenge yourself to do more in His service! He wants you to have enough faith in Him that you will step outside of your comfort zone and serve Him better. No, this does not mean that you will always be “the best” at whatever new thing you are trying to do. But, the more that you do it, the more effective you will be in it! So, please recognize that if you are not growing spiritually, you are dying!

Seeing The Results

There will be a noticeable change in your life if you can eliminate the “Somebody else can do it” mentality – and develop an intense longing for serving God in your own life so as to glorify Him! Just consider a few examples (thinking back to the questions I gave at the beginning of this lesson). As we consider these examples, let's think of them in a before-after kind of way (before the change in mindset – after the change in mindset).

Improper view of your place in God's work

Before: “Why should I have to do ‘x’ whenever my other brethren can do it – and probably

even do a ‘better’ job?” “How much does God really expect me to do for Him?”

After: “I am committed to doing whatever I possibly can do in the service of my Creator, Savior, and Judge. Others may be able to utilize their abilities and opportunities in those areas as well, but that does not release me from my responsibility to use all my abilities and opportunities. I now view my life and body as a tool to be used in God’s service rather than for my own selfish desires (Romans 6:12-13; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20).”

Contentment with stagnation

Before: “Does God really expect me to push myself beyond what I am comfortable doing?” “Who can do the work that God wants to be done? Why hasn’t someone volunteered to take care of it?” “Why isn’t brother or sister ‘so-and-so’ taking care of that work? Doesn’t he/she know that it needs done?”

After: “I am committed to growing and living for Christ Jesus. I recognize that the only way I will be able to do more for my God is if I put in the work to grow and push myself to step outside of my comfort zone. So, whenever I see a work that God wants to be done, I will try to develop myself to do the work – rather than leaving the work to my brethren.”

Lack of faith in God

Before: “Why would God ever want me to do ‘x’ in His service? Surely, He knows all of my faults and all of my weaknesses.”

After: “I recognize that God chose to use imperfect and common men and women to accomplish great feats throughout the pages of the Bible. He could do this because they were only tools to accomplish His purposes. So, despite my weaknesses and faults, I recognize that if I commit myself entirely to my God and trust Him completely, He will accomplish His will through my life and He will be glorified!”

Conclusion

I hope this lesson has helped you eliminate the “Somebody else can do it” mentality. Whenever you see a work that God wants to be done, first evaluate if there is anything you can do to accomplish it. Challenge yourself continually to growing in Christ Jesus and serving Him with whatever opportunities and abilities you have!

Study Questions

Can God use your full potential in His service?

1. What Is This Mentality?

Define the “Somebody else can do it” mentality.

What are some things this mentality accomplishes?

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- (2)
- (3)
- (4)

What are some questions this mentality asks?

Why should this mentality be avoided?

2. Areas In Which This Mentality Is Manifested

How is this mentality manifested in the leadership of the local church? Are you guilty of this?

How is this mentality manifested in family roles? Are you guilty of this?

How is this mentality manifested in the worship of the local church? Are you guilty of this?

3. Comparing Attitudes

What was Moses' attitude toward God's work?

How is this mentality manifested in the work of the local church? Are you guilty of this?

What was Gideon's attitude toward God's work?

How is this mentality manifested in the assemblies of the local church? Are you guilty of this?

What was Jonah's attitude toward God's work?

How is this mentality manifested in personal evangelism? Are you guilty of this?

What was Isaiah's attitude toward God's work?

How is this mentality manifested in serving others? Are you guilty of this?

Which one is closer to your attitude?

How is this mentality manifested in edification? Are you guilty of this?

4. God Can Use You!

Are you a valuable part of the whole? Why or why not?

How is this mentality manifested in hospitality? Are you guilty of this?

How much does God expect you to be doing in His service?

How is this mentality manifested in visiting? Are you guilty of this?

Does God expect you to be growing?