About Our Father's Business Wed 7/6/16

Luke 2:41-49 (NKJV)

- ⁴¹ His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. ⁴² And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast.
- ⁴³ When they had finished the days, as they returned, the Boy Jesus lingered behind in Jerusalem. And Joseph and His mother did not know *it*;
- ⁴⁴ but supposing Him to have been in the company, they went a day's journey, and sought Him among *their* relatives and acquaintances.
- ⁴⁵ So when they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking Him.
- ⁴⁶ Now so it was *that* after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions.
- ⁴⁷ And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers.
- ⁴⁸ So when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought You anxiously."
- ⁴⁹ And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?"

Luke 10:41-42 (NKJV)

⁴¹ And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. ⁴² But one

thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her."

Matthew 6:25-34 (NKJV)

- ²⁵ "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?
- ²⁶Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?
- ²⁷ Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? ²⁸ "So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin;
- ²⁹ and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰ Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, *will He* not much more *clothe* you, O you of little faith?
- ³¹ "Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'
- ³² For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.
- ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.
- ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day *is* its own trouble.

Ephesians 4:11-13 (NKJV)

- ¹¹ And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,
- ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,
- ¹³ till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

Ephesians 6:10-15 (NKJV)

- ¹⁰ Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.
- ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
- ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.
- ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
- ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,
- ¹⁵ and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

Psalm 37:3-6 (NKJV)

Proverbs 16:3 (NKJV)

³ Commit your works to the LORD, And your thoughts will be established.

Deuteronomy 30:15-16 (NKJV)

¹⁵ "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil,

¹⁶ in that I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the LORD your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess.

Colossians 3:23-24 (NKJV)

- ²³ And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men.
- ²⁴knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ.

³ Trust in the LORD, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness.

⁴ Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart.

⁵ Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring *it* to pass.

⁶ He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light, And your justice as the noonday.

2 Peter 1:5-9 (NKJV)

- ⁵ But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge,
- ⁶ to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness,
- ⁷ to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love.
- ⁸ For if these things are yours and abound, *you* will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- ⁹ For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

Romans 8:14-16 (NKJV)

¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

¹⁶ The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

Galatians 3:26 (NKJV)

²⁶ For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

Luke 22:41-42 (NKJV)

- ⁴¹ And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and prayed,
- ⁴² saying, "Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done."

Romans 12:1-2 (NKJV)

12 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service.

² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Micah 6:8 (NKJV)

⁸ He has shown you, O man, what *is* good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?

2 Timothy 2:15 (NKJV)

¹⁵ Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

John 6:38 (NKJV)

³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

1 Corinthians 6:20 (NKJV)

²⁰ For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

This is the beginning of a new day.

God has given me this new day to use as I will.

I can waste it or use it for some good purpose, but what I do with this day is important because I have exchanged one day of my life for it.

When tomorrow comes, today will be gone forever. I hope I will not regret the price I paid for it.