

Amasiah: A Pattern for Service

Intro: Amasiah: A captain in Jehoshaphat's army —

2 Chron. 17:12-16.

Body:

I. What did he do?

A. Amasiah _____ his best in service — _____.

B. Christianity was founded upon serving.

1. Jesus gave himself — Jn. 10:17-18.

2. He expects us to do so — _____ 20:25-28; Rom. 12:1.

3. E.g., the Macedonians — 2 Cor. 8:5.

II. How did he do it?

A. He offered himself _____.

1. Willingly means without _____ — Lk. 9:59-62.

B. Unwillingness indicates a lack of conversion.

1. To some, serving God is _____ — 1 Jn. 5:3.

2. The example of the rich young ruler — Matt. 19:21-23.

III. Why did he do it?

A. Amasiah entered his service with a spirit of _____.

B. Why do you serve?

1. For _____? — Matt. 6:1.

2. For payment in return? — Lk. 17:10.

3. It should be _____ — Matt. 25:35-36, 40.

a. Because of who He is — Eph. 3:20-21.

b. Because of what He has done for us —

Jas. 1:17; 1 Cor. 15:10.

c. Because of the _____ blessings He bestows —

1 Cor. 6:19-20; Eph. 1:3.

Conc:

1. The world has forgotten Amasiah, an obscure soldier in an obscure kingdom, but God has not.

a. Our service may be forgotten by the world, but not by God —

Heb. 6:10; Rev. 14:13.