Church At Home

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INTRODUCTION

- Most lessons are learned in the house of mourning, not in the house of feasting.
- Maybe we'll never take for granted being able to assemble together and pray together and sing together and commune together.
- Maybe we got the idea that this is church. And that's all church is.

1 Growing Closer to God Through His Holy Word

Joshua 1:7–8

- The essence of my Christianity, the heart of my relationship to God cannot be summed up by simply my attendance here at this building.
- You alone are responsible for knowing the word and growing closer to God through it.
- This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it.
- Three things we better get serious about doing with the word of God. Number one is reading it.
- When you read a verse that's difficult or a couple of verses that are difficult, back up and read a couple verses before and go and read a couple verses after.
- That means after you've read it and studied it, think about it.

2 Living the Christian Life That Will Bring Glory to God

- Church at home or church outside this building, which is the way Christianity ought to be lived, means living the Christian life that will bring glory to God.
- Our Christianity cannot be summed up by our assembly. It's so much more than that. It touches every facet of our life.
- Let's not be equally guilty of changing the purpose of worship.
- It means, as Jesus would say, letting my light so shine before men that they would glorify my Father in heaven.
- I wasn't letting my light so shine that she could see my good works and glorify my Father who is in heaven.

3 Serving Others, Giving of Myself and Encouraging My Brethren

Matthew 9:10–13

- The church at home means I'm going to be serving others, giving of myself and encouraging my brethren.
- I don't have to wonder what would Jesus do. I just open up my Bible and say, What did Jesus do?
- Christianity, which at its very heart is being Christ like.

- Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.
- He did not condone their sinful lifestyles and activities. He sought to remedy it. But the only way he could do that was by being with them.
- He got down on his knees and washed their feet. That's what Jesus did.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **That's what church at home really is. And that's what Christianity really is. Would you be a Christian this morning? Accept the challenge to be better. To be more like Christ.**

MY NOTES