

A man with glasses is shown in the foreground, covering his face with his hands. He is wearing a light-colored polo shirt. The background is a blurred crowd of people walking on a sidewalk, overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter. The overall mood is one of stress or overwhelm.

CRAZY *BUSY*

Part 3 - The Terror of Total Obligation

*And as your servant was busy here
and there, he was gone...*

- 1 Kings 20:40 ESV

DIAGNOSTIC QUESTION #2

Am I trying to do what God

Does Not Expect me to do?



*The Lord has told you, human,
what is good; he has told you what
he wants from you: to do what is
right to other people, love being
kind to others, and live humbly,
obeying your God.*

- Micah 6:8 NCV

The Trap of Doing More for God.



11 *For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men.*

12 *It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age.*

- Titus 2:11-12 NIV

The Terror of the Sin of Omission.



Anyone who knows the right thing to do, but does not do it, is sinning.

- James 4:17 NCV

**HOW TO NOT LET
YOUR ONUS BECOME
ONEROUS**



15 *So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. 16 Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. 17 Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do.*

- Ephesians 5:15-17 NLT

A blurred crowd of people at night, overlaid with a white text box containing the text "1. Confess: 'I am not Christ'". The background is a dark, out-of-focus scene of a large gathering of people, possibly at a concert or event, with some lights visible. The text is centered in the white box.

1. Confess:
"I am not Christ"

21 *Now this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?”* **20** *He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, “I am not the Christ.”*

- John 1:19-20 MEV



**2. Let the Good News
Focus Your Heart**

***For the Good News must first be
preached to all nations.***

- Mark 13:10 NLT

You stay grounded and steady in that bond of trust, constantly tuned in to the Message, careful not to be distracted or diverted. There is no other Message—just this one. Every creature under heaven gets this same Message.

- Colossians 1:23 MSG

A blurred crowd of people at an outdoor event, overlaid with a white text box. The background is a dense crowd of people, mostly in light-colored clothing, moving in various directions. The overall color palette is dominated by warm, reddish-orange tones. A large white rectangular box is centered over the image, containing the text '3. Accept Your Gifts' in a dark red, serif font. The word 'Gifts' is underlined.

3. Accept Your Gifts

*All these [gifts] are empowered
by one and the same Spirit,
who apportions to each one
individually as he wills.*

- 1 Corinthians 12:11 ESV

29 *Are we all apostles?*

Are we all prophets?

Are we all teachers?

*Do we all have the power
to do miracles?...*

- 1 Corinthians 12:29-30 NLT

...30 Do we all have the gift of healing? Do we all have the ability to speak in unknown languages? Do we all have the ability to interpret unknown languages? Of course not!

- 1 Corinthians 12:29-30 NLT

A blurred, high-angle photograph of a large crowd of people walking on a city street. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent white rectangle containing text. The text is in a dark red color and reads: "4. Embrace the Centrality of The Church".

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Centrality of The Church

***The church of the living God,
the pillar and foundation of the truth.***

- 1 Timothy 3:15 CSB

*At the center of all this,
Christ rules the church. The church,
you see, is not peripheral to the
world; the world is peripheral to the
church. The church is Christ's body,
in which he speaks and acts, by which
he fills everything with his presence.*

- Ephesians 1:23 MSG



**5. Pray with
Immediacy**

Jesus told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart.

- Luke 18:1 ESV

Romans 12:12 - Be constant in prayer

Ephesians 6:18 - Praying at all times

Colossians 4:2 - Continue steadfastly in prayer

1 Thessalonians 5:17 - Pray without ceasing





6. Remember:
Jesus Didn't Do it All

*I came down from heaven to
do what God wants me to do,
not what I want to do.*

- John 6:38 NCV

*I glorified you on earth,
having accomplished the work
that you gave me to do.*

- John 17:4 ESV

Two Practical Principles:

I SHOULD DO

WHAT IS A NECESSITY



Two Practical Principles:

I SHOULD DO

WHAT IS IN PROXIMITY

