

Connected In Service Part 1

EPHESIANS 5:15-21

- Those who live _____, have a great impact on other people's _____.

10 SIGNS OF _____ AND _____ LIVING IN THE CHURCH.

1. _____ Wars.
2. Prolonged minutia _____.
3. _____ Focus.
4. _____ Driven.
5. _____ Focused budget.
6. Inordinate demands for _____ care.
7. Attitudes of _____.
8. Greater concern about change than the _____.
9. Anger & _____.
10. _____ apathy.

- Time is _____. We are to make the _____ of it.

QUESTION: *Who has been a model of wisdom in your life, and why?*

- Being filled with the Holy Spirit is a _____, total _____ to God.
- God has _____ met all of our _____.

QUESTION: *What changes must we make in order to serve the way God wants us to?*

- We are called to _____ God, _____ each other, and _____ all.
 1. Fill their speech with _____ for God. (*Ephesians 5:19*)
 2. _____ give thanks to the Lord. (*Ephesians 5:20*)
 3. _____ to one another in the fear of Christ. (*Ephesians 5:21*)

QUESTION: *What impact could your submission to your brothers and sisters have on the church, how would things look different?*

- He is fully _____ for a life fully _____ to Him.

LIVE IT OUT:

Are you a giver or a taker in the Body of Christ? Here are some practical ideas for engaging in your church in the right way:

- ✦ **Assess yourself.** Look again at the patterns of self-centered church members. Take a moment to consider whether you contribute to any of these patterns in your church.
- ✦ **Accentuate the positive.** Make a list of everything you like best about your church. Thank God for the place He has put you in and speak positively to others.
- ✦ **Jump in.** Work with the leaders in the church to identify a ministry in which your service will meet a need. Then take a plunge and serve with wisdom and fervor.

Next Week: Connected In Service Part 2