

The Logical Thing to Do

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A half-hearted commitment to God is illogical. Paul wrote to the believers at Rome, "Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your *reasonable* service" (Romans 12:1, emphasis added). He was effectively saying, "This is the logical thing to do."

It is like trying to get into the water at the beginning of summer. The air temperature is hot, but the water is cold. So you go in slowly and get up to your knees, and then you start to recoil. It would be better to either dive in and get wet, or just get out of the water.

That is how a lot of believers are. They have an attitude that says, "Well, I am kind of in, but I am not totally in. And I am a little bit out. I am just not sure." It is a miserable no-man's-land.

Jesus said, "If the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men" (Matthew 5:13).

It is sort of like cola that has gone flat. What good is uncarbonated cola? Or what good is a low-fat, decaf latte?

But that is how a lot of believers are. They are uncarbonated Christians and decaf disciples. Jesus hates half-heartedness. He said to the church of Laodicea, "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth" (Revelation 3:15–16).

As you grow older, your commitment should grow stronger. You should be more committed to Christ at 57 than you were at 17. So make a commitment to Him—and stand by it.

News and Notes

- The yearly corporate meeting will be December 30, 2018 immediately following morning worship services. We will be electing a new president. This is required by the state. Please plan to attend.
- The monthly soup kitchen will be Friday, January 25, at 5:30 here at the building. Volunteer opportunities are available.
- If you have a prayer request you would like added please fill out the prayer request card in the pocket of the seat in front of you or email prayer@scottsbuffchurchofchrist.org.

Birthdays

Gerrie Fleenor 01/09 Wanda Middleswarth 01/12
 If you birthday has been inadvertently left off this list please let Shannon know.

Those Serving

12/30/2018

Opening Prayer
 Song Leader
 Scripture Reader
 Closing Prayer
 Devotion:

Jeremy
 Shane
 Jim
 Jim
 Chris

Announcements: Chris

Table: West Jonathan
 Center Gary
 East Tim
 Preacher: Tom
 Song Leader: Shane

12/2/2018

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