"Living a Life of Significance 过一个有真意义的人生" (Galatians 加拉太书 2:20; Luke 路加福音 9:23)

The "Normal Christian Life" ≠ an Average Christian Life – Watchman Nee 正常的基督徒生活 ≠ 一般的基督徒生活 – 倪柁声

God's Norm and God's Way for a Christian 神对 "正常基督徒" 的看法和神的方法 "I No Longer Live, But Christ Lives in Me 活着的不再是我, 而是基督活在我里面"—A Substituted Life 一个交替的生活 (Galatians 加拉太书 2:20)

The Essence of Jesus' Call to Discipleship 耶稣召唤门徒的精义 "If anyone would come after me, he must Deny Himself and take up his Cross Daily and Follow me 如果有人愿意跟从我,就当舍己,天天背起他的十字架来跟从我" (Luke 路加福音 9:23)

Today: What does a Life of Denying one's Self by Living Only for Christ look like? Is it possible to Live Only for Christ?

今天: 舍己、单单为基督而活的生活是怎样的生活? 单单为基督而活… 可能吗?

I. Introduction 序言

Narcissistic Culture – Focusing on "I, Me, Myself" 自我中心的文化 – 专著在 "我、我、我自己"

- A. Living a Life of Significance 过一个有意义的人生
- B. "You Died for me, and I'll Live for You! 你为我死、我为你活!" (2 Corinthians 哥林多後书 5:14-15; Galatians 加拉太书 2:20)
- II. <u>Living a "Substitute" Life as Christ's Steward</u> 过一个 "交替" 的生活 做基督的管家

Stewardship: How a Christian uses his Time, Talents and Resources 管家的职分: 一个基督徒怎样使用他的时间、才智天分和资源

A. Time: A Faithful Steward Applies Wisdom to Set the Right Priority 时间: 忠心的管家会按智慧来决定正确的优先次序

1. Priority on Love 爱的优先次序 (2 Tim 提摩太後书 3:1-4; 1 John 约翰一书 2:15-17)

Who is your First Love? If you have left your First Love for Jesus... Repent and Return!

谁是你的至爱? 若你已离开你对耶稣的首爱… 悔改、回头 (Rev 启示录 2:4-5)!

- 2. Priority on Relationship 关系的优先次序
 - Unique Gospel: a Repented Sinner can be Restored to a Relationship with God 独特的福音: 悔改的罪人可以恢与神的关系
 - Relationship must be Cultivated: The Vine and the Branches 关系需要培养: 葡萄树与枝子 (John 约翰福音 15:5, 7-8)

Invitation to Experiencing a Deeper Relationship with God: Make it a Priority to Spend Time with Jesus on a Daily Basis 邀请我们经历与神深厚的关系: 以每天花时间亲近耶稣为首要之事

3. Priority on Responsibility 责任的优先次序 (Matt 马太福音 6:33)

Live a life of Integrity; Redeem the Time and Opportunities to Witness for Christ in Words and Deeds 过正直的生活; 把握时间和机会以言、行来为基督作见证

B. Talents 才智天分

- 1. Speaking/Teaching and Serving 传讲/教导和服事:
 Gifts and Abilities are to Minister to one another and to Edify the Church
 恩赐和天分是用来彼此服事和造就教会的 (1 Peter 彼得前书 4:11)
- 2. Character and Motivation before the Ministry 品格和动机在事奉之前

"Choosing to Serve" vs "Choosing to be a Servant": Do you have a Servant Heart?
"选择事奉" 或 "选择作仆人": 你有没有一颗仆人之心?

- C. Resources 资源: God Owns Us 理当属于神 (1 Corinthians 哥林多前书 6:19-20)
 - 1. Self-Evaluation Reveals our Attitude toward God's Resources 自我审察 显示出我们对神交托资源的态度
 - 2. The Focus of our Heart 内心的专注 (Matt 马太福音 6:19-21)

Grace Giving: Give out of Love, and Gratitude to God's Blessing. 思典的奉献: 以爱心, 和对神祝福的感恩而奉献. Be a Faithful Steward of God's Resources 做一个神交托资源的忠心管家

Reflection 反思

- How one lives a Life is a Personal Decision... as a Choice, it's Possible to Choose to Live only for Christ
 - 要过怎样的生活是一个个人的决定… 既然是选择,就可能单单选择为基督而活
- Choice has Consequences 有选择、就有相对的后果

When one Chooses to Deny his Self and Live for Christ, he will "Live a Life of Significance"

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