

**“IT’S UP TO US” IV
(Faithfulness & INTEGRITY)**

Two of the most important criteria for Blessings of God upon us - “Faithfulness and Integrity”.

To survive we need God’s Blessings!

JN. 16:13 Jesus said “...the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth...”

Jesus wants us to Know Things!

He wants us to walk in WISDOM!

Jesus wants us to have INSIGHT!

MT. 25:14-30 - Jesus taught on
FAITHFULNESS in the parable of talents.

“Faithful”-means: “to be strict or thorough in a task that you set out to accomplish or to do.” It also means: “to be trusted and reliable.”

Pr. 28:20 “A faithful man shall abound with blessings...”

Mt. 25:14 “For as the Kingdom of Heaven is...”

The Kingdom of Heaven operates on the truths given in this parable.

* Jesus has given each believer talents.

* Jesus has given us Responsibilities.

Two servants made "INCREASE" ...

ONE servant was stopped by FEAR.

How Jesus reacted to these servants -- He
reacts the same today!

Heb. 13:8 Jesus is the SAME-YESTERDAY,
TODAY and FOREVER.

The servants that brought INCREASE were
called “GOOD and FAITHFUL..”.

The servant who did nothing was called a
“wicked, slothful” servant.

Before we can DO GREAT THINGS - WE
must learn how to do small things!

We must be FAITHFUL over LITTLE -

Before we can rule much!

We are to ACCEPT Responsibility and
Authority will Follow.

“INTEGRITY” - if we are FAITHFUL when God
calls our number - we will answer - and DO
What God asks of us - then promotion will
come.

JN. 4:23 (KJV) 23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

“Worship”, in the Greek Text, is seldom used - it means: “God is looking for People who will honor HIM by doing menial tasks.”

God wants people He can **DEPEND ON**

-- people He can trust!

Ps. 41:12 (L.B.) **12** You have preserved
me because I was honest; you have
admitted me forever to your presence.

“INTEGRITY” - Dictionary defines as “to have moral and ethical principles, soundness of moral character, honest.”

Rom. 8:29 (CEV) 29 and he has always known who his chosen ones would be. He had decided to let them become like his own Son, so that his Son would be the first of many children.

Rom. 8:31 “...IF God be FOR US, who can be against us?”

Eph. 5:1 “Be ye therefore followers (IMITATORS) of God...”

God is a God of INTEGRITY! We are to be conformed to the image of God. We are to imitate HIM!

LET's look at JOB.

Job had two problems (at least).

ONE: he had "FEAR."

Job 3:25 (AMP) 25 "For the thing which I greatly fear comes upon me, And that of which I am afraid has come upon me.

SECOND: he had “Self-Righteousness.”

A lot of People think God did all the bad things
to Job.

God DID NOT do anything to Job---

The DEVIL did it!

In two weeks the whole world caved in on
Job.

Job 2:9 (KJV) 9 Then said his wife unto him,
Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse
God, and die.

Job 2:10 (KJV) 10 But he said unto her, Thou
speakest as one of the foolish women
speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the
hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In
all this did not Job sin with his lips.

Job did not let go of his INTEGRITY!

Integrity is seen in two areas of our lives:

1) Our WORDS and 2) Our Deeds.

Ps. 141:3 (CEV) 3 Help me to guard my words whenever I say something.

PR. 18:21 (MSG) 21 Words kill, words give life; they're either poison or fruit—you choose.

“FAITHFULNESS & INTEGRITY”- IT's Up to Us!