



Your Work in God's Army

(1 Samuel 30:24)

Introduction:

1. In the daily spiritual warfare the you endure, you and those around you have different functions in this fight.
2. David emphasizes that everyone in his army has a equal part in the battle.
3. The same unity holds true to all of those who battle daily in this world.

I. There are Two Areas of Service

- A. There are different areas of service in today's military:
 1. Fighters of the front line
 2. Support groups
- B. The same is true with God's army:
 1. See Luke 8:1-3
 2. Fighters of the front line:
 - a. Jesus, Paul, Peter, Barnabas, Silas, Timothy
 3. Support group:
 - a. Various congregations (2 Corinthians 11:8-9; Philippians 4:15-16)
 - b. Individuals (Romans 16:2; Philemon 22)
- C. Examples of this work in action today:
 1. Preachers and Supporters
 - a. (Romans 10:13-15)
 - b. (1 Corinthians 9:1-14)
 - c. The teamwork of the late Marshall Keeble and the late A. M. Burton.

II. Both Areas of Service are Important

- A. Without the support of those in physical warfare there could not be victory and vice versa.
- B. (1 Corinthians 12:12-22)
 1. Every part of the body is important. (1 Corinthians 12:15-19)
 2. One part cannot devalue the others. (1 Corinthians 12:20-25)
- C. (Romans 12:3-8)

III. How Can You Become Involved?

- A. Work for the same goals.
 1. The furtherance of the gospel. (Matthew 28:18-20)
 2. Seeking and saving the lost. (Luke 19:10)
 3. That Christ may be glorified. (1 Peter 4:11)
- B. Realize your role
 1. (1 Peter 2:9)
 2. Front lines or support group
- C. Rewards will be given.
 1. (2 Timothy 4:6-8)
 2. (Matthew 10:10-42)
- D. Find a work and become involved immediately.
 1. Do not become lost in growth but become active in growth.

Conclusion:

1. Take some time tonight and examine your role, either as a member of the front line or a member of the support group.
2. As you examine your role, become involved if you are not already. If you are involved, find members to become involved with you.
3. United in purpose, united in goals, united in service, united in hope, united in work – united in Heaven!