



THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD

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Living Faith Chapel, Calgary (Solution Center)

WORD FOR THE WEEK

ESSENTIALITY OF ACCEPTABLE SERVICE

We bless the name of our Almighty father for His loving kindness towards us and our families. It's a miracle that we are in the sixth month of the year and so far this year the Lord has been good to us because we have had no cause to mourn the loss of anyone. You have food on your table and shelter over your head. There is peace in the country where you live. Beside these, you didn't have any reason to regret your life. These are enough reasons to appreciate the name of the Lord. It is thanksgiving Sunday, so let us show our appreciation to the Lord in both our songs, thanksgiving and also with our substances.

Last month, we considered the theme, "Fulfilling Your Call" and in this month of June, we are considering another theme allied to the last: "Acceptable Service". In line with this theme, we shall be looking at the topic: "Essentiality of Acceptable Service".

Why is it important to offer acceptable service in our ministry? An acceptable service can be defined as the service that satisfies, at least, the minimum standard i.e. minimum acceptable requirements. For our service to be acceptable, we must identify who the service is meant for, what he/she wants, how he wants it, and when he wants it.

Reasons Why We must Offer Acceptable Service:

1. We must offer acceptable service because unacceptable service is worse than no service. Shabby or deceitful service may attract curses. See Jer. 48:10 (*Cursed be he that doeth the work of the LORD deceitfully, and cursed be he that keepeth back his sword from blood*); Mal 1:14 (*But cursed be the deceiver, which hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth unto the Lord a corrupt thing: for I am a great King, saith the Lord of hosts, and my name is dreadful among the heathen.*)
2. we must offer acceptable service because offering unacceptable service could be deadly. See Lev 10:1 (*And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the Lord, which he commanded them not*); Num 3:4; 26:61 (*And Nadab and Abihu died before the Lord, when they offered strange fire before the Lord, in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no children: and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office in the sight of Aaron their father*); Act 5:1-10; and
3. We have an obligation to offer acceptable service because it is an acceptable service that guarantees a reward Rev 22:12 (*And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.*). For further references, see 1Cor 3:13-15 (1-17); Mt 16:27; 2Chr 15:7; Isa 3:11

In this new month, let us put on the attitude of rendering an acceptable service to the Lord because that is the only thing that guarantees a reward for us.

NOTE: If you have been blessed by our Word for the Week or inspired in any way by them, please let us know by sending an email to The Pastor at pastor@rccglfc.org