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Equipped for a Good Work!!

Lesson 4

Intro: There is a Chinese proverb that says, “The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials”. Paul the Apostle stated, “For I am sure of this very thing, that the One who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus” (Philippians 1:6). Let’s continue our lesson on being Equipped for a Good Work!

Today’s Thought – Who are You Really Serving? James 5:9

1. The Complaint by Martha

a. The Diligent Student: Mary

- Mary sits at the feet of Jesus
- Listening before laboring
- She’s sitting before serving
- We do serious damage to our souls when we place service outward while neglecting our inward souls

Isaiah 34:16

Isaiah 28:23

b. The Dutiful Servant: Martha

- She’s worried about the other woman
- She put her preparation before principle

- She’s focused on the company and not communion
- She’s a busybody, but not busy for the Body
- *Don’t become too busy to take time to be holy!*

John 12:26

Matthew 8:21-22

Matthew 19:21

John 8:32

1 John 1:3

2. The Counsel by Jesus

- a. He tells Martha she must be ministered to by the Savior before she can effectively minister for the Savior!

Psalms 73:24

Psalms 32:8

b. What can we learn by listening to Jesus

- To serve is to be great
- There is a cure for worry
- Love conquers all
- Follow the golden rule
- Ask for what you need
- Judge not

- Keep your word
- Give in secret
- Forgive others
- Nothing is impossible if you have faith

Martha, good worship produces good works!