

God Is Fully Committed To His Children

Romans 8:31-39

Lewis Smedes says there are real _____ of living in a commitment-free world.

1. The _____ - _____ Problem

- A. More people are drifting in and out of _____ (Businesses can't keep workers)
- B. Not only are people not going to church regularly, but many more are not committing to a _____.
- C. This is the generation that wants to keep its options open, the non-joiners, the commitment-free generation.

2. A Fully Committed God

- A. Today I want to encourage you that your God is fully committed to _____.
- B. What a vivid picture of commitment: Jesus nailed to a cross. God did not _____ His own Son. This is the ultimate commitment.

3. Three Symbols Showing God's Commitment

- A. The first symbol is the _____.
 - i. Notice that God, the creator of this earth, the king of kings, the Holy One wrapped a towel around His waist to _____.
 - ii. Jesus was showing that He came for a purpose ... you.
- B. The 2nd symbol is the _____
 - i. Jesus knew that the only way for mankind to have their sins forgiven was for His body to be sacrificed.
 - ii. Jesus even said in John 6, unless you eat my flesh, you will have no part of me -- meaning I am giving up my life for you. If you do not take my _____ body, you will not see heaven.
- C. The 3rd symbol is the _____
 - i. Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins
 - ii. His blood covered the _____ of mankind's sin

Conclusion:

Always remember that God is committed to us. He has the signs and symbols to remind us. The towel, the bread, and the wine.