

SEASONAL RELIGION

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INTRODUCTION

1. Text 2 Timothy 4:2
2. It is a wonderful compliment to say "you can depend on him."
3. Our text says for preachers to preach in season and out of season. This means at all times is the word of God to be preached. He can never let up.
4. There is a tendency to let up after a job is well done, but we can never let up in Christianity.
5. What we need in the church is dependability and that is what we want to talk about this morning.

II Discussion.

A. The responsibilities of Christianity.

1. Christianity is a practice. Matthew 7:21; Hebrews 3:1 4:14
2. Christianity has a fervor. Romans 12:11 Ecclesiastes 9:10
3. This fervor must be constant. 2 Timothy 4:2; Luke 9:621 Corinthians

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B. Reasons for Christianity not being a seasonal religion.

1. Christianity is not circumstantial.
 - a. Must be a Christian in every place. Some practice religion to be men pleasers. Matthew 6:2,5; Ephesians 6:6
 - b. Must be a Christian regardless of day or hour. Hebrews 10:25 context of passage says that this was during trying times, but still cannot forsake the assembling. Luke 9:23 it is daily.
 - c. Regardless of the weather we must be a Christian.
 - d. Must be a Christian regardless of health. Prays long when sick, but when well he forgets to pray.
2. Love of God requires a sacrifice. John 3:16; Romans 5:8; Hebrews 5:8-9; Romans 12:1-2
3. The uncertainty of the future. Matthew 24:36
4. The commands of God. I John 5:3 John 14:15

C. How to overcome seasonal religion.

1. Think about serving the Lord. Proverbs 23:7
2. Don't look back. Luke 9:62
3. Be converted. Acts 3:19 This means to turn

III Conclusion

1. If the Lord comes would He find me at my post of duty?
2. Seasonal religion is a gambling religion. You may be in or you may be out. We cannot afford to take chance. Revelation 2:10

Source 1987 sermon