

FAITHFUL BUT UNFULFILLED

Reference: **Luke 10:38-42**

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Luke chapter ten describes a sincere and faithful follower of Jesus who was left unfulfilled, because she ignored the most essential component to someone's spiritual health.

verses thirty-eight through forty (see screen)

Martha exhibited three symptoms of being **faithful but unfulfilled**.

SYMPTOM ONE is _____.

verse forty (see screen)

Definition: The performance trap is something done out of human obligation contrived from human strength in order to gain the _____ of someone that matters to us.

Notice some characteristics of someone caught in this trap:

- often strives to succeed through human _____
- is sometimes trapped in **legalism**
- demonstrates an imbalance: more _____ than _____
- the motive is to **please people**
- constant _____ to other people
- has **manipulation** and **control** tendencies
- **no** joyfulness and peace
- extreme reactions to _____ and _____
- relationship with God is **unstable**
- thinks someone has to _____ God's acceptance

The solution to the performance trap is to understand that someone's personal relationship to Jesus Christ is the result of _____ from beginning to end.

References: **Acts 13:43b, 18:27b; Romans 3:24; Ephesians 2:8a, 3:7b; II Timothy 2:1; Hebrews 4:16; II Peter 3:18a, Romans 11:6**, etc. (see screen)

Definition: Divine grace is getting something from God that we absolutely _____.

Statements about Grace and Performance:

- God's grace is _____ to me because it's based on Jesus' performance and not mine.
- God did not love me and save me because of what I might _____ for Him.
- I must stop relating to God on the basis of _____ and regulations.
- God's grace accepts me as I am and then enables me to _____ and _____ above anything I could _____ and _____ on my own.
- My service to God is actually greater under grace because _____ and not _____ is the motivation to do what I do.

SYMPTOM TWO is _____.

verse forty-one (see screen), “

The Greek word (merimnao) that is translated as worried means “to divide the _____.”

Of the different things we are anxious about:

- _____ percent never happen
- _____ percent are from the past and cannot be changed
- _____ percent consists of criticism
- _____ percent is about health
- _____ percent are about real problems

SYMPTOM THREE is _____.

verse forty (see screen) “

Reference: **II Corinthians 4:18** (see screen)

Remember the phrase: This too shall _____!

verse forty-two (see screen)

Jesus is more interested in what we do _____ Him than what we do _____ Him.

THE BIG IDEA: The antidote to an unfulfilled existence is to _____ on _____.

From a practical perspective focusing on Jesus means _____ with Jesus until He feels close.

The power to _____ is a priority over the power to _____ because if you are _____ then you will do _____ that has significance.