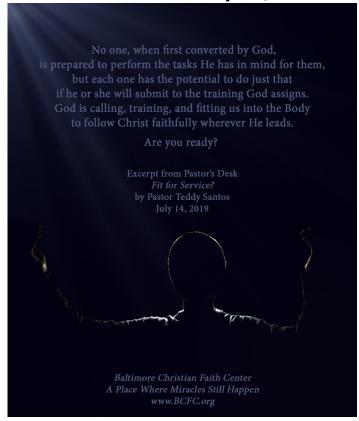
Fit for Service?
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In reality, every leader follows someone who trod the path before him. We follow Jesus! While we cannot physically see Him, we walk with Him. However, we can read what He did and taught because God has provided us a faithful witness of what we need to follow to be prepared to serve under Him in His Kingdom. We must faithfully abide by His Word.

God promises He will be faithful (Deu 7:9). The apostle Paul declares God is faithful (1Cor 1:9). Both Jesus and Moses are declared faithful (Heb 3:1-2), and all of those leaders named in Hebrews 11 were faithful in their times of service. Now is our time to walk faithfully beside them. To be faithful is to be trustworthy, reliable, and responsible in our interactions with both God and man.

What must we do? What must we follow? The same basic things the heroes of faith did. It is easy to say we must keep God's commandments, which is undoubtedly true. However, notice those great leaders of the past are all mentioned for accomplishing some task more specific than keeping the commandments.

Following the commandments is a general responsibility for all, and doing so is vital in itself. However, each leader also achieved a particular responsibility: Abel made a sacrifice, Enoch walked with God, Noah built an ark, Abraham offered Isaac, Moses stood fast before Pharaoh, and so forth.

No employer, be it a large corporation or an individual entrepreneur, looks for potential employees who cannot perform the available positions. No one, when first converted by God, is prepared to perform the tasks He has in mind for them, but each one has the potential to do just that if he or she will submit to the training God assigns. God is calling, training, and fitting us into the Body to follow Christ faithfully wherever He leads. Are you ready?

In His service, Pr. Teddy Santos