

**September 21<sup>st</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Dear Church pt.5 -This is Your Moment**

In this lesson you will learn three ways to seize your moment.

**Intro:** It's time to take ownership of the moment. What stops us from owning the moment? The enemy is in no hurry to destroy us, if he can just distract us. We can be distracted by; fear, worry, comparison, unhealthy discontentment, reminiscing about the past, and daydreaming about the future. We miss the moment when we are waiting for a perfect, flawless season. There is no perfect time in the future. This is it. This is your moment. Seize this moment and make the most of it. This is the time you're waiting for.

**I. Live Out God's Love**

- A. John 13:34-35- receive His love and release His love. Everyone will recognize that you are a disciple of Christ by the love you have for people. We are called to love. We are called to; reach out, stand in the gap, call the prodigal home, be kind, and show compassion. Make love your greatest goal. Help anyone in need. The world is watching to see if we will show His love.

**II. Live Out Your Faith**

- A. Luke 18:8- step out in big faith. Faith is not just believing for more in just your life, it is sharing what you have and living for His glory. Remember that your work is an act of worship. Your lifestyle is telling people about the God you worship. Make sure it is a good message. Live for the eternal reward an imperishable crown (1 Cor 9;25). Don't just be faithful but faith filled.

**III. Live With His Compassion**

- A. Col 3:12- put on the garment of compassion every day. The call of Christians is not to cross your fingers and hang on tight until the end, but to roll up your sleeves, partner with God, and join in the adventure of caring for others. We are joint partners with God to bring His kingdom down to Earth. Compassion takes action to see a need and meet it. Cultivate a heart of generosity to see the compassion of God flow through your actions.

**Discussion Questions**

1. Can people around you recognize the fruit of love in your everyday actions
2. Are you working unto the Lord on your job on a consistent basis?
3. Do you rise up or turn away when a situation arises that requires compassion?