

I Really OUGHT To ...

INTRODUCTION: Do you do things because you WANT to,
or because you OUGHT to ... it's EXPECTED ...
it's what you SHOULD do?

WHAT ... OUGHT we to do?

- Acts 5:28 – They were told not to preach ... their response – 5:29
- Look at the RESULT – 5:33, 5:40 ... Was their heart in it? 5:41-42

1.- We OUGHT To FORGIVE – 2 Corinthians 2:7-8, Eph. 4:32

- The word “*apologize*” isn’t in the Bible – 1 John 4:11

2.- We OUGHT To SPEAK OUT For Christ – Ephesians 6:19-20

- It often cost the Apostle Paul his freedom.
- Paul said it was what he OUGHT to do – Colossians 4:3-4
- Our “*ought to*” should equal our “*want to*”.

3.- We OUGHT To PLEASE CHRIST – 1 Thessalonians 4:1

- Do we really WANT to “*walk*”, to please Christ? 1 John 2:6

WHAT ... “*pleases*” God?

- 1 Church Attendance – Hebrews 10:25 – Do you really WANT to worship in God’s House, with God’s People?
- 2 Prayer – Do you really ENJOY praying?
 - Prayer is a time of fellowship & talking with God.
 - Get “*real*” with God ... be “*honest*” ... He can take it!
- 1 Bible Reading – You’re reading what God has written down for you to read ... so ... take it personally.
 - You need a systematic program of reading God’s Word – Psalm 119:18
- 1 Tithing – Matthew 23:23 – Don’t give because it’s something you OUGHT to do ... Matthew 6:1-2

CONCLUSION:

- Do you do things because you WANT to, or because you OUGHT to ... it’s EXPECTED ... it’s what you SHOULD do?
- Luke 18:9-14 – Is your HEART in it? Matthew 22:36-38
- Change your “*ought to*” into a “*want to*” Christian Life.