

Spiritual Unemployment

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“Do the work of an evangelist” 2 Timothy 4:2-5

Ephesians 4:11 – The five-fold ministry gifts (oracle gifts)

- Apostles
- Prophets
- Evangelists
- Pastors
- Teachers

“Make full proof of they ministry” 2 Timothy 4:5
Promotion comes from God. (Psalms 75:6-7)

Romans 12:6 – The serving gifts

- Teaching
- Exhorting
- Giving
- Ruling
- Mercy

God qualifies you by proving you in a serving gift.
Ex: Elijah, Elisha

Ability, productivity, creativity inherent in men
Produce sense of worth and sense of value
If taken away, produces loss of dignity

When a man cannot fulfill himself as a man legally, he will do it:
Illegally
Immorally
Illicitly

Spiritual unemployment in the Church
Produces a turn to the illegal, immoral, illicit
Dependency upon the pastor. Ephesians 4:12

Sin: Pleasures of sin are only for a season
The seeds of sin develop the pods of retribution
Confess it; get it “under the blood”

Become spiritually employed!