

“The Dilemma of Doing More”

This set of questions is based on Patrick’s sermon preached January 10.

1. Read Luke 10:38–42. If you were Martha, how would you defend the importance of your actions? If you were Mary, how would you defend the importance of your actions?

What do you think is the “one” necessary thing of which Jesus spoke?

2. What is the relationship between church work and spiritual growth? Tell which of the following statements you most agree with, and why.
 - a. *A person’s involvement in church work is an accurate indicator of spiritual maturity; greater involvement shows greater maturity.*
 - b. *Church work distracts from genuine spiritual growth; greater involvement shows less maturity.*
 - c. *Church work is completely unrelated to genuine spiritual growth.*
 - d. *Lack of involvement in church work indicates spiritual immaturity.*
 - e. *Involvement in church work helps one to grow spiritually.*
3. “Doing” (busyness) is no substitute for “becoming” (spiritual transformation). But doing (active involvement) is essential to becoming who we should be. Given your own current spiritual status, what two or three activities do you feel would most promote your transformation into the person God wants you to be?

Recurring Questions

- » How have you seen God working in your life or the lives of those around you this week?
- » What prayer requests would you like to share with the group, including prayer for any spiritual struggles you may be experiencing?