

“The Badge of Discipleship”
Real Ministry in a Dot.Com World • part 13
2 Corinthians 6:1-10

INTRODUCTION

- our longing for consistency

MAIN IDEA

Christians are called to a consistent commitment to Christ.

1. *‘Don’t sit on your hands!’* (6:1)

- partnering with God
1 Cor. 3:5-9
- exhortation “A”
2 Cor. 5:20b
- exhortation “B”

2. *‘Do it now!’* (6:2)

- quotation context
Isa. 49:8
- quotation application

3. *‘Honor His Holy Name!’* (6:3-10)

- commitment not to dishonor (6:3)
- conditions to be borne patiently (6:4-5)

“It is often required of ministers of the gospel, that while they strive for peace, they should pass unbroken through tumults, and never deflect from the right course though heaven and earth should be mixed.”
– John Calvin

- characteristics to be revealed (6:6-7)
- contrasts to be accepted (6:8-10)

CONCLUSION

“[A] prime essential for fathering is consistency. The best definition I know of for consistency is ‘perseverance that is in balance.’ We persevere at something we love to do. We persist at something that we deeply care about. In the long run, dads who are successful hang in there in spite of the setbacks. They remain consistent to who they are and what they know to be true.”

– Tim Hansel