

MAIN DUTY OF A SERVANT OF GOD



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FOREWORD

When the writer decided to serve the Lord, he endeavored to know what the main duties or tasks of a servant of God are and to study them. Since the writer's background is as an entrepreneur, so it is customary in the management of a company to have a job description which analyzes certain duties, responsibilities and authorities due to someone's position. Thus by making inquiries the writer tried to find out what exactly those main duties of God's servants are so that he can carry out his tasks exactly and correctly.

Actually in the company management, there is not only a job description but also several systems to evaluate whether an employee performs his duties properly or not. One of them is by implementing KPI (Key Performance Indicator) where a leader can evaluate or assess the performance of the company and the employees based on the achievements of their main duties or tasks. Even an employee can evaluate his/her own job performance based on his/her achievements by utilizing KPI.

At first the writer tried to learn about the main duties of the servant of God by asking questions and listening, then by

browsing about them in the internet. He also tried to find them from different versions of the Bible even the digital Bible by using words related to this theme, but failed. Therefore, the writer tried to focus on the theme every time he read the Bible. Praise the Lord, by His grace he found several verses he believed to have some contextual connection with the main duties of a servant of God.

However, since the writer has been ministering in God's service for just a few years and has not yet studied in theology school, so the material presented in this book may be different from what is commonly believed and usually practiced by the senior ministers. Therefore, this material is perhaps more suitable for theological students as a discourse that needs to be explored deeper.

Soli Deo Gloria,

The writer

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INTRODUCTION

Before we discuss the material, the writer will give an illustration. Suppose we accepted a new employee for cleaning-service. This worker was very happy to work at our place. So she decided to work the best she can. By that the next day, early in the morning, she started to work. She swept the floor and took a vacuum cleaner to suck the dust in the guest room. buzzz... buzzz... buzzz...

Then she approached our bedroom, sucked the dust sticking on the door of our room and on the curtains too. When she had finished cleaning the dust of all the rooms, she went into our study. As soon as she saw the contents of our study room, she exclaimed, "*Wow, how messy is this room!*" There were many post-it notes patched on the edges of the computer, also messy tables with stationeries and open books. Then she saw a bundle of written papers with underlined sentences using colorful Stabilos, plus many scribbles and notes around the underlined sentences.

In addition, on the walls there were newspaper clippings, tables, address lists and more. Then she said to herself, "*How*

come this room to be in such a mess?" Hence this worker took off all the patches from the edges of the computer, the walls and other spots, then tore them and threw them away. Thereafter she closed the open books, placed them neatly in a corner. Next she also tore and threw away the bundle of papers marked with many scribbles and replaced it with a new, clean, bundle of white papers. Finally our work- room became neat and clean.

If this incident truly happened to us, how would we react? Would we feel happy? The writer believes that we would be very angry with the worker since her eagerness would cause such a great loss! Surely, the post-it notes and clippings of the newspaper are not just patches, and the colorful underlined sentences as well as the scribbled and scratched notes are kept with a specific purpose. All those scribbled notes are certainly not just a fad.

What does the writer want to say? Well, in this case diligence only is not enough!

And as we observe further a question comes up, "*Does the worker have bad intentions?*" Absolutely not. Her intentions are very good, she really wants to work seriously and has done her best. However, being diligent and having good intentions plus possessing the desire to work seriously are still inadequate.

If the worker wants to work well, how should she do it? What is to be done? She must ask many questions and listen. Thus

she must begin by learning. Ask first. For example, *“Sir, may I dust off the rooms early in the morning? Won’t it disturb your sleep?”* Then, *“Regarding your workroom, which part may I tidy up?”*

As employers we can give instructions to the worker. For example, she may clean the desk but all the items must be put back to each original place. Or, if there are some important assignments, we sometimes prefer our desks not being touched. She may only clean the floor.

MAIN DUTIES OF A SERVANT OF GOD ACCORDING TO SOME THEOLOGIANs

As it was conveyed previously, the writer often asked, heard, and read about the main duties of a servant of God. Hence he got a lot of inputs on this subject and what pleases God most.

Here below are listed some of them:

To Serve Diligently

Quite a lot of theologians and senior pastors believe and teach that God is really pleased with His servants who serve diligently. Thereby the writer finds many of them very busy serving the Lord from morning till night. Remarkable. Rick Warren, is one of the theologians who supported this principle. In his very famous book ***The Purpose Driven Life***, he explained various ways to serve God.

To Do Great Things

There are also some theologians who said, *"What does God want from us? He likes us to do great things."* The writer often heard some senior servants of God invited other ones to do something great for Him. Someone gave this example, *"Look at William Booth. He succeeded in planting an extraordinary ministry through the Salvation Army which was not only great, but it survives unto this day."*

That is why some among us said that as servants of God we should have big dreams rather than to be just any servants of God.

Keeping High Goals and Use Our Talents

Speaking about high goals, some servants of God or believers are often confused. They say, *“Sir, I long to serve God and I want to do something good and great for God, but I don't know how, or what to do.”* Max Lucado in his book entitled **“Cure for the Common Life”** said, *“Well, find your sweet spots. Sweet spots are talents. And use those talents for God's glory.”*

That's why, we notice that nowadays quite a lot of new songs have been created. Why? Because many people think they have God-given talents in music. *“I want to use the talents God gives me to compose songs for Him.”*

There was a prominent person in a synod who stated, *“We have enough funds and human resources. Therefore, we need to build a specific Theological School particularly for our synod.”* Other servants of God desired to do some other great things for God. So, they made every endeavor to build a large and magnificent church. And many others craved after shepherding a large congregation because they believed that this would please God.

On the other side, the writer also met with several servants of God who were very ambitious to hold and keep an important position, ecclesiastical or in a church organization. When the

writer asked, *“Why are you so eager to get the position?”* He replied, *“There are many big programs and projects in my brain that cannot be carried out yet, because I have no authority in the organization. Well, Sir, if I were appointed to hold that position, I would be able to put into reality those great things for the glory of God.”*

BIBLE CHARACTERS WHO SERVED AND PERFORMED GREAT WORKS

To find out which of the above opinions or views are correct, we need to study and compare Bible characters who had pleased God.

Diligent in Serving

If we study the Bible characters or figures who were diligent in serving God, we will find Moses among them. For 40 years he had attended a stiff-necked nation. Wow, that's amazing. Although Moses was very diligent, it turned out that he finally was not permitted to enter into the Land of Canaan.

Doing Great Things

If we study who of the Bible characters had done a great thing, we will see Noah as one of them. Why was Noah able to do such a great thing? The writer sometimes said jokingly, “*See, if there was no such story about Noah, today we won't be able to eat beef nor chicken. Due to Noah we can still enjoy beef, pork, mutton, and other kinds of meat. That's all because of Noah's diligent service. Moreover, because of Noah the evil world was actually restored.*” But when we seek further, God did not comment much on Noah.

Then another Bible figure was Solomon, who had built the Temple of God. But we know that God was not pleased with Solomon, particularly at the end of his life. Even because of him the kingdom of Israel was divided.

Others might mention Mary, because if there were no Mary, the Lord Jesus would not be born. But in the Bible, Mary is mentioned and described in a few chapters only.

BIBLE CHARACTERS WHO PLEASED GOD

A Man after God's Own Heart

While studying Bible characters, another person would catch our attention. He is David. David was an extraordinary person. If we read in the Books of The Kings, for example, there are many verses in which God stated, *“You are not like my servant David.”* David was considered a standard or an approved model. *“Then, why are you not like him?”*

Let us study about David. Was he diligent in serving God? We don't know much about this except that he had moved the holy Ark of God. Thereafter, we don't find anything else significant that David had done. Did David do any great work? Not really. Even though David longed to build the Temple of God, he was not allowed by God. So, in the end David did only collect the materials for the building.

Did David aspire to be king? Apparently not. We do not find any verse mentioning that David since his youth aspired to become a king. Was David endowed with abilities to be king? Not really. Evidently, even after Samuel had anointed him as king in front of his entire family, when his father sent him to the battle ground, he was chided by his brother Eliab. David's brother dared to chide him because in the eyes of the brother David seemed unworthy to be a soldier moreover to be a king!

Friend of God

Then there was someone who was called the Friend of God, namely Abraham. The same questions appear: *First*, Was Abraham diligent in serving God? Likely not so. When we read in the book of Genesis, he seemed not so diligent in serving God, since even building altars to worship God could but be counted on the fingers of a hand.

Second, did Abraham do a great work? Or performed a remarkable service? Not really. He did not build anything. Did he dream of becoming a friend of God? Surely not. Did he have extraordinary talents? Apparently not. He even lied several times, yet he was called Friend of God.

Enoch, even more amazing, as he was taken up to heaven. But about him too there was no record of his ministry, his great work, nor his talents, except that he was taken up alive by God.

In general and also specifically, such is the picture of some prominent characters in the Bible and the roles they played. All those characters mentioned seemed to have done no significant nor extraordinary jobs/performances to be proud of. There was no note nor writings about their diligence, their great works, their views or opinions, their talents, in fact they rather had many shortcomings. But the writer also realizes that all the stories

written in the Bible about the above characters were not narrated completely, so he wants only to make a general overview.

THE MAIN DUTIES OF A SERVANT OF GOD

Now we turn to more specific issues about God's servants. Hence, what are the main duties of a servant of God? In studying this subject, the writer found that the main duties or tasks of God's servants was among others recorded in Matthew 5:19,

*“Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven; but whosoever shall **do** and **teach** them, the same shall be called **great in the kingdom of heaven.**”*

When someone occupies a high place in the Kingdom of Heaven, that person should definitely be a person who pleases God, right? Then, how can we recognize him/her? That person obviously **does (practices)** and **teaches** God's word.

Furthermore, in his letter to the Church in Ephesus, the Apostle Paul asked the people to pray for him so he could deliver the word of God correctly and also be given the courage (boldness) to deliver the truth, as written in Ephesians 6:19-20,

19 “And for me, that **utterance** may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth **boldly**, to make known the mystery of the gospel,

20 For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak **boldly**, as I ought to speak.

The two verses above are very interesting, because the Apostle Paul twice emphasized that he wished to be given the boldness to convey the truth of God's word. Why was it repeated twice? Just because he realized it was not easy to convey the truth of God's word. There is a risk to be taken in conveying the truth of God's word which could be caused externally (from the outside) or internally (from the inside).

We understand that it is not easy to evangelize people and convey the truth of God's word to them. There are risks that must be faced both in the form of expulsion, persecution, imprisonment or even be killed.

On the other hand we often hear about some servants of God who felt depressed, because they were required and regulated to deliver a certain theme concerning God's word in line with the interpretation or opinion of the synod or the leadership of the church, which was inconsistent or incongruent with the truth.

But the biggest challenge can arise from within ourselves, because of our personal interests, our church or our organization.

Quite a lot of God's servants really like to convey or preach about God's word on the theme "service (ministry) and sacrifice (offering)." It is not wrong to preach on that theme. Yet oftentimes many verses they referred to were interpreted as containing the subject about service (ministry) or sacrifice (offering), even though as God's servants they knew that the verses are not about these subjects.

In the Old Testament, conveying God's word exactly was usually termed "*according to all*" these words/this vision.

2 Samuel 7:17 *"According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David."*

From the verses above, the writer is of the opinion that the main duties or tasks of a servant of God are:

- 1- Become doer of God's word
- 2- To deliver God's word exactly (correctly), "according to all"
- 3- Dare to deliver the truth of God's word boldly (fearlessly)

1. BECOME DOER OF GOD'S WORD

Those who should become doers of God's word are actually not only God's servants, but all the children of God too, as is recorded among others in the verses below,

James 1:22 "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only; deceiving your own selves."

So to become doer of the word is everyone's duty.

The writer himself had an experience that sticks in his mind about being a doer of God's word. At that time the writer and his wife went to a fairly large church. As usual the writer sat in the front row. Since the building was large, the chairs in the middle row were arranged in a straight form facing the pulpit while at the left and right side the chairs were put slantwise.

As we arrived early, after we prayed and read the summary of the sermon to be delivered that day in the church bulletin, the writer saw a young mother with her child of 8-10 years old sitting in the left front seat.

It turned out that they were the pastor's wife and his child who was to preach that day. When the Pastor preached, the writer listened earnestly to him, but for some unknown reason the writer accidentally glanced at the young mother and her child. Right and then the writer was very surprised. Why? Because on the face of the pastor's wife he saw clearly the expression of disapproval against what her husband said.

The writer was even more shocked when he saw the behavior of the child who also showed obvious disagreement with his body language that is quite vulgar. Through this

evidence, when the writer began his ministry to serve the Lord, he prayed to God that such things would never occur in his life.

The Apostle Paul also realized that such things could happen to him, therefore in 1 Corinthians 9:27 he said,

*“But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection lest that by any means, when I have preached the gospel to others, **I myself should be a castaway.**”*

Rejected

Rejected by whom? It can be by God, it can also be by our environment, our families, or our wives and children. Why are we rejected? Because we become only deliverers of God’s word, rather than doers.

That is why the Apostle Paul said, *“But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection.”* This means that he truly controlled himself, he controlled his speech, he controlled his behavior, he controlled his eyes, his legs, his ears, everything. To what? So as not to cause the people around us reject us.

Not only our families, we certainly can be rejected by our extended family. Maybe only on the pulpit we like to talk about helping others, yet we have never helped our own family. Or, if we are part-time servants of God like this writer, we could be

rejected by our business partners, who might say, "*Well, your preaching is great, but in doing business you are not fair, and when you borrow some money it's hard for you to pay back.*"

2. TO DELIVER GOD'S WORD EXACTLY, "ACCORDING TO ALL"

In the past the writer was assigned to preach in a worship service. Even though he had been notified 3 months beforehand, he had difficulty in getting materials for his sermon. He was quite shocked. He then attended a seminar which offered a similar theme, read books, but he still could not find the proper materials concerning that theme. Praise the Lord, 2 weeks before the appointed day the writer was endowed with some understanding/knowledge, otherwise the writer would not know what to say.

That is why the writer feel respect for God's servants who have extensive knowledge and can deliver any theme whenever they are asked to preach.

To this day, the writer is willing to accept preaching assignment only on themes which he possesses the materials or can find in his books. Otherwise he would offer the themes he has as a substitute. If the person who made the request is not willing to change the theme, the writer would refuse the offer.

The writer does not have enough confidence to be able to get the proper materials for the requested theme.

The writer tried to further enhance his insight by reading the Bible more frequently. Besides that, the writer is also fortunate to know some senior servants of God to whom he can consult with. Due to his limited knowledge, the writer usually provides ample time to prepare the materials for his sermon and starts collecting related materials some time beforehand.

Besides that, the day before the service, the writer usually stays at home all day long to read and prepare the material for his sermon and also to make adjustment with the material for the power point presentation. The writer would do this all as if he is actually delivering the sermon to the congregation.

It often occurred that when the writer was preparing his sermons, he got some new understanding that needs to be added or subtracted from the materials already prepared. In addition, to be convinced that what he is going to deliver is true he would ask for inputs and corrections from some senior servants of God, when he still doubted about some things.

The writer is very grateful that some senior pastors are very kind and openhearted to help. But another main preparation is to provide enough time to pray, because God alone will enable the writer to serve well.

3. TO DELIVER THE TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD BOLDLY (FEARLESSLY)

The writer does not understand why God sometimes indirectly, asks him to reprimand the church or sometimes the servant of God, even though the writer belongs to them who do not dare to reprove the Pastor, since Romans 14:4 says,

*14:4 "Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for **God** is able to make him stand."* (KJV)

Or

*"Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. And he will stand, for **the Lord** is able to make him stand."* (NIV)

The writer believes that the word "servant" in that verse means the servant of God since in the last part it is written, "*for God (the Lord) is able to make him stand*". So, the verse above explains that we are not allowed to judge God's servants.

That is why the writer does not dare to reprimand or reprove God's servants. Yet often when the writer has brought forward

the word of God, there were servants of God who said, “*Well, Sir, somehow I feel it as an admonition for me.*” The writer several times examined himself why that could happen. Were his words too harsh, too rude or too straightforward? Whatever the cause, the writer truthfully had no intention at all to utter any reproof.

In addition, the writer realizes that he himself is only a common church member while pastors are individuals chosen or called by the Lord, and they are anointed or ordained. So he is not their equal. The writer’s position is not of the same level with them. He has no right to reprove them, moreover as he was reminded by the very verse above. Thus, the writer often became somewhat depressed whenever there were servants of God felt reprimanded.

That is why the writer had prayed even three times asking God to allow him not to minister in preaching, rather prefer to just give financial support. But all the three prayers were answered by God through a song, “*Father, I Offer My Life to Thee*”. So, after the writer received the third answer to his prayers, he no longer dared to ask God to allow him not to minister in preaching. Why? Because the writer then consciously recognized his own humble existence, that he ought not to feel to have the right to bargain with God.

Therefore the writer accepted and prayed that if God gives him an opportunity to minister in preaching he would do it, trusting Him that He will purify, sanctify, enable, and grant him the privilege to preach properly. That is why, from that time on the writer is not depressed any more when he has to deliver God's word. The writer will convey whatever is true due to his conviction.

Likewise, when the writer brought forward the materials about the end-times, he did not take too much heed to the opinions of people who regarded the issue as heresy or whatever, as long as he believes that what he would deliver is true, he would do it anyway.

In his ministry, the writer met with several servants of God who had joined into a large church and enjoyed extraordinary good income. Yet they finally let go of their comforts, because they were asked to deliver sermons which are incongruent with God's word.

They eventually moved to another small town and started new churches with different conditions. Although economically insufficient, they sustained. Personally the writer truly respect them, because they have shown the boldness to refuse conveying matters which they think were not true.

Materials for A Sermon

From the three main duties of God's servants, namely to become doers of God's word, and to deliver God's word exactly "according to all", and dare to deliver the truth of God's word boldly, the writer considered that the material for a sermon should contain two important things.

The *first* is teaching, what the Bible says about the subject. For example about tithing, we should bring forward what the Bible says, which was done by Abraham, by the nation of Israel, or as described in the book of Malachi.

The *second* is our testimony as we put into practice the theme we preach. As doers of God's word, we may tell what we experience when we do the word. The experiences as doers of the word would emphasize the truth of the theme we convey, because we not only pass on some teaching but also the evidence of its truth by witnessing.

THE FEAR OF GOD

Now, if we study further the Bible characters we have talked about from the beginning, all the characters who pleased God were individuals who feared God.

Abraham is a God-fearing man.

*Genesis 22:12 “And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that **thou fearest God**, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.”*

David was also a God-fearing man.

*Psalm 34:11 “Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you **the fear of the LORD.**”*

He was a man close to God and from what he had learned and felt, David concluded that God wanted us to fear Him, as was stated in Psalm 147:11,

*“The LORD taketh pleasure in them that **fear him**, in those that hope in his mercy.”*

Job, the man of whom God was most proud of, because throughout the Bible the writer found that Job was the only person God praised before the devil, was a God-fearing man.

*Job 1:8 “And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that **feareth** God, and escheweth evil?”*

When Moses gave his final advice to the people of Israel, he asked them to fear the LORD,

*Deuteronomy 10:12 “And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, **but to fear the LORD thy God**, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul.”*

Then we also see that the early church was established and lived in the fear of God.

*Act 9:31 “Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in **the fear of the Lord**, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.” (KJV)*

Cornelius too was saved for he was a God-fearing man.

*Acts 10:22 “They answered, ‘Cornelius, a sincere and **God-fearing** officer, and who was well known among all the Jews, had received the revelation of God through the presence of a holy angel, so that he would invite you to his house and hear what you will say.’ ”*

*Acts 10:35 “But in every nation he that **feareth him**, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.”*

Also the Apostle Paul was a God-fearing man.

*2 Corinthians 5:11 “Knowing therefore **the terror of the Lord**, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.” (KJV)*

Or

*“Sjnce, then, we know what it is to **fear the Lord**, we try to persuade men. What we are is plain to God, and I hope it is also plain to your conscience.” (NIV)*

The Apostle Paul adviced the congregation to be people who fear God.

*2 Corinthians 7:1 “Having therefore ‘these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in **the fear of God**.’ ”*

Even they who enter heaven are those who fear God.

Revelation 19:1 And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God.”

*5 And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that **fear him**, both small and great.”*

What Is the Fear of God?

What is meant by the fear of God, or how does a person who fears God look like?

Now, if we make an analogy that to fear God is similar with to fear the police, what are the conditions so we can fear the police?

We can fear the police, yet

First: we have to know about policemen before we can be afraid of them, because not all who wear uniforms are policemen. For example, soldiers wear uniforms, members of public organizations also wear uniforms, so do some security guards.

Second: people say we should be afraid of the policemen not only of the individuals, but also of all their signs, regulations, and commands. For example, when there is a police line, we certainly will not pass it whether we see or don't see any policeman there.

Likewise, if a policeman shows us a signal to stop our car, we must stop. Therefore, we need to learn and understand all the regulations in connection with the police.

Third: we should obey. It is impossible for us to obey the police if we do not know about the police and we also cannot obey them if we do not understand their laws.

Likewise, we can fear God only if we know about Him, His laws, and obey Him. Therefore, the fear of God begins with reading the Bible, because He with all His laws and commands are clearly recorded in the Bible.

The writer tries to prepare ample time to read the Bible, to read the entire Bible at least twice a year, plus the New Testament twice and also twice from the book of Romans to the book of Revelation. When the writer reads the Bible, he usually does not miss any chapters, verses, nor words, because he believes that every single word in the Bible has a meaning. Besides that, the writer tries to ponder upon it and to apply it as well in his daily life.

To Walk with God

Earlier, it was mentioned that Enoch was taken up by God alive.

*Genesis 5:24 “And Enoch **walked with God**: and he was not; for God took him.” (KJV)*

Or

”walking in close fellowship with God. Then one day he disappeared, because God took him.” (New Living Translation)

Why was Enoch taken up? Because he was “*walking in close fellowship with God*”. What does it mean? According to the writer, it is a kind of life one level higher than to fear God. To fear God is only knowing about Him, about His laws, and obeying Him.

But walking in close fellowship with God means knowing even personal things about God so that we can have a close relationship with God. We cannot get along closely with someone, if we do not know personally the individual and his personality (personal attributes).

If we do not know that someone is allergic to flowers, we would not understand why he/she does not want to go with us to

the park. Likewise if we do not know that someone has had a traumatic experience, we would not understand why he/she does not want to visit a certain place.

So we can only get along closely/intimately with someone we know well, not just knowing him/her formally, but personally. And Enoch was taken up because of such close relationship. He was walking in close fellowship with God. He knew God personally, to the personality or personal attributes of God.

As children of God we are granted the grace to know God personally, because once we accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, God gives His Holy Spirit in our hearts. The Holy Spirit will reveal God to us so that we will be able to know God even the personal or hidden things in Him.

1 Corinthians 2:10 *“But God had revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.”*

To Get Along with God

The writer believes that we all want to be servants of God who please God and become useful instruments in His hands.

Psalms 25:14 “The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant.”

The verse above explains that God is not only pleased with those who fear Him, but He also grant them to get along with Him and be very close to Him, which means closely related to Him. Then God promised to show them His covenant. Thus as servants of God we need not exert every effort to study and seek to understand the Bible, because He Himself will reveal that to us.

The previous two verses also state similar issue.

*Psalms 25:12: “What man is he that **feareth the LORD**? him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.” (KJV)*

Or

*“Who, then, is the man that **fears the LORD**? He will instruct him in the way chosen for him.” (NIV)*

When we become individuals who are granted to get along with Him and be very close to Him, we need not be afraid to take steps in our lives and our ministries, because God Himself will show us the way we must take. All those ways God chooses for us would definitely be the best for us, because He is the best Father Who is all in all good and kind.