LIVING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE "FULLY FOCUSED ON CHRIST"

Introduction:

- What was Martha's problem in Luke 10:38-42?
- All of Martha's busyness and activity caused her to lose focus on what was really important - Jesus Himself!
- Instead of being focused on what I do for Jesus, Jesus simply wants me to be focused on Him!
- The service you do for Jesus should be a natural outflow of your love and closeness to Christ.

Jesus, our example - fully focused on the Father.

- Jesus lived in *total* dependence upon His heavenly Father. John 14:8-10, 24, 8:28, 5:30
- Jesus' focus was not on what He could do for the Father, but rather, His focus was on the Father and what the Father could do through Him.

The Christian's life - fully focused on Christ.

- Jesus explained that our relationship with Him would mirror the relationship He enjoyed with the Father. Let's go back to John 14.
 - → Verse 10 I am in the Father and the Father in me.
 - → Verse 16 A prophecy of the *coming* of the Holy Spirit.

- → Verse 20 Jesus said that we would experience His indwelling presence.
- → "To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." Colossians 1:27
- Just as Jesus could do nothing that wasn't initiated through the life and power of the Father, Jesus said, "...for without me ye can do nothing." John 15:5
- "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Galatians 2:20
- "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Philippians 4:13
- Just as Jesus lived His life through the power of the Father, you are to live your life through the power of Christ.
- The Christian life isn't about you focusing on what you can do for Christ.
- It is about Jesus living through you.