

Committed or Playing

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I. Introduction.

A. There are two types of people in Christianity: those who are committed and those who are half-hearted.

II. What makes the difference.

A. Committed people have a different mindset.

B. Committed have solid convictions about Scripture and God himself. (John 13)

C. Committed people persevere.

D. Committed people have motivation. They do all for the glory of God. (Isaiah 43:7; Revelation 4:11; 1 Corinthians 10:31; Matthew 5:16; 2 Corinthians 5:14; John 13:34-35; Luke 14:25)

E. Committed people are willing to pay the price. (Luke 14:26)

G. Committed people are willing to abandon ship. (2 Timothy 3)

III. How to tell the difference. (Luke 8:13)

IV. Why so many people miss God's best. People sell out cheap. (Hebrews 11:26; Luke 15:24)

V. Keys for surrendering to Christ and finishing the race well. (Psalm 15; Isaiah 6)

A. A vision of God.

B. Humility.

C. Consciousness that God is near.

D. A special touch from God.

Application questions:

1. Are you a committed person? Explain.

2. How can you become more committed?

3. Why do so many miss the mark of commitment?
