Victory Connect Lesson "Snatch!" Pastor Paul Daugherty March 24, 2024

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#### How do we live with a mission mindset?

**1. Build yourself up on your most holy faith.** Jude 1:20 NIV - 20 But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit,

**2. Pray in the Holy Spirit.** (Ask the Holy Spirit to make you more sensitive.) Rom 8:14 NIV - 14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

**3. Keep yourself in the love of God.** Jude 1:21 NIV - 21 keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. [See also: The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:29-37)].

## 4. Be full of mercy to all, especially to the doubters.

Jude 1:22 NIV - 22 Be merciful to those who doubt; [Remember how Jesus treated Thomas (John 20:27)].

#### 5. Go rescue people out of the flames.

Jude 1:23 NIV - 23 save others by snatching them from the fire; to others show mercy, mixed with fear--hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh.

The word "snatch" in this verse means: "to seize, carry off by force; to seize on, claim for one's self eagerly; or to snatch out or away." (Source: Strong's #726).

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- 1. What does it mean to keep yourself in God's love?
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