## **SERMON NOTES**

Title: Take This Job and Love It

**Text: Genesis 24:10-20** 

**Topic:** Going the extra mile

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Rebekah was willing to go the second mile.

A thirsty camel can drink 20 - 30 gallons of water.

A prevalent philosophy in the work place today... minimum effort for maximum return.

In the *Sermon On The Mount*, Jesus taught that our righteousness should **exceed** that of the Pharisees. The Pharisees were the all-time great clock-watchers.

When Jesus talked about *walking the second mile* He was teaching a principle, that the Christian should go **above and beyond** the call of duty.

The Spirit-filled life gives... ordinary people the power to do ordinary things in an <u>extraordinary</u> way.

Lessons learned from Rebekah's example...

- 1. Don't despise <u>little jobs</u>.
- 2. Don't be preoccupied with **promotion**.
- 3. Don't live your life by the **measuring rod**.
- 4. You can't walk the second mile until you've walked the first.
- 5. Extra blessings come from extra effort. <sup>38</sup> Give, and you will receive. You will be given much. Pressed down, shaken together, and running over, it will spill into your lap. The way you give to others is the way God will give to you." Luke 6:38 (NCV)
- 6. Don't be concerned about who sees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> In all the work you are doing, work the best you can. Work as if you were doing it for the Lord, not for people. <sup>24</sup> Remember that you will receive your reward from the Lord, which he promised to his people. You are serving the Lord Christ. Colossians 3:23-24 (NCV)