EXACTLY RIGHT

I remember one time as I was beginning a work at a congregation. They were building an addition on to the building, including a new office for me. The carpenters were long time friends who had worked together for years and during that time we became much better acquainted. I watched as they did their measuring, cutting and putting the timber together. One day one of them told me it was important in building to do things “exactly right.” He also told me a way to be sure was to “measure twice, cut once.”

There are a lot of things that need to be done “exactly right.” Through the years I have noticed those who work on cars spend a lot of time getting things “exactly right” to make the car run well. Did you know that the mixture of concrete determines whether it will last a long time or fail in a short time?

While we have choices in a lot of things, the kind of work we do, where we live, the kind of vehicle we drive, there are some things that must be done “exactly right.” This is especially true in our service to God. Remember Paul’s words, “that in us ye might learn not to go beyond the things which are written;” (1 Cor. 4:16)

If we approach our service to God with the attitude things must be done “exactly right,” we will save ourselves a lot of grief, especially in the judgment.

The right attitude toward our service to God will be that we want to do things “exactly right.”

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