

BEING BEFORE DOING
Red Letter Challenge – Part 2
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**I. THE PRIORITY OF BEING IN
A RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS**

“I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.”

John 15:5 (NLT)

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments.”

John 14:15 (NASB)

“God is at work within you, helping you want to obey him, and then helping you do what he wants.”

Philippians 2:13 (TLB)

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith.”

Hebrews 12:1-2 (NLT)

“‘Why do you keep calling me ‘Lord, Lord!’ when you don’t do what I say?’”

Luke 6:46 (NLT)

“Faith by itself isn’t enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.”

James 2:17 (NLT)

“Be still and know that I am God.”

Psalms 46:10 (NIV)

II. BEING FUELS DOING

“‘Whom shall I send? And who will go for us? ... ‘Here I am. Send me!’”

Isaiah 6:8 (NIV)

“But if I say, ‘I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name, his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot.’”

Jeremiah 20:9 (NIV)

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28 (NIV)

“I am the Vine, you are the branches. When you’re joined with me and I with you, the relation intimate and organic, the harvest is sure to be abundant. Separated, you can’t produce a thing.”

John 15:5 (Msg)

THE BIG IDEA PRIORITIZE BEING WITH JESUS

“Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.”

Isaiah 40:30-31 (NIV)

“Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 1:6 (NIV)