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The Lord hath sent me that thou mightest receive thy sight.

Acts 9:17

LIGHT- Marvelous light

Evangelist/Pastor Barbara Lynch

Picture yourself as the brightest star in the galaxy. Now, picture yourself traveling throughout the earth, shining that light upon a dark world. What do you see your light accomplishing? Is it destroying the works of darkness? Is it so bright that darkness flees from its penetrating presence? Does its presence cause all of hades to tremble? Or has your light dimmed to the point of near non-existence? My Word is very explicit: John 8:12 (NKJV) Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." Question? Are you following Me?

Matthew 5:15, "Hide your light under a bushel," means to keep quiet about your talents or accomplishments. Are you allowing others to see your giftings? SELAH

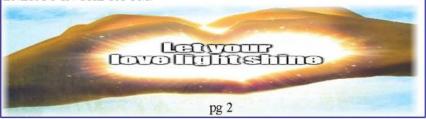
Children, I want your light to shine so bright before men that it will dispel all darkness. This light will penetrate the thickest walls of darkness and destroy the plans of the evil one on all sides. Matthew 5:14-16 (NKJV) You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

I AM LIGHT! I CREATED LIGHT! Genesis 1:3-4 (NKJV) Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. I John 1:5: "This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all."

Because I am light and live within you, your entire being is light. There is absolutely no darkness within your vessel of honor that carries My Glory. The Glory dispels all darkness. You need to understand that when the Glory drops, ALL light will prevail over ALL evil, for this Glory brings with it miracle-working power. You will see supernatural healings that go beyond the imagination. The greater works will be evident to all, and you shall see the signs of the times all around you. There will be no room for doubt that a loving, caring Father has come upon the scene.

Ask yourself: How bright is My light, and am I allowing it to shine for all to see, or am I hiding my talents under a bushel? Ask, desiring an honest answer. I am moving. Is your light ready to move with Me?

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE SO BRIGHT THAT IT SHIFTS THE ENERGY IN THE ROOM.



Shared by Evangelist Barbara Lynch

Forget Not The Lord Your God

Deuteronomy 8:12-14

Moses warned the Hebrew people not to forget God's provision and preservation. "Lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; And when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied, Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God."

Our Ways Vs. the Lord's Ways

Our Thinking It's Impossible. I'm too tired. Nobody really loves me. I can't go on. I can't figure things out. I can't do it. I'm not able. It's not worth it. I can't forgive myself. I'm afraid. I'm always so worried. I'm not smart enough. I feel so alone.

God's Promises All things are possible. (Mark 9:23) I I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28-30) I love you. (John 3:16) My grace is sufficient. (II Corinthians 12:9) I will direct your steps. (Proverbs 20:24) You can do all things. (Philippians 4:13) I am able. (II Corinthians 9:8) It will be worth it. (Romans 8:28-30) I forgive you. {I John 7:9; Romans 8:11} I have not given you a spirit of fear. {II Timothy 1:7} Cast all your care on Me. {| Peter 5:7} I'm I give you wisdom. {I Corinthians 1:30; James 1:5}

Everyday Thanksgiving God is worthy, I am grateful. I don't need a holiday To remind me to be thankful. It's Thanksgiving every day.

All around me are reminders Of my Father's constant care. I am mindful of His mercies In my heart and everywhere.

As I sit and sip my coffee With my Bible on my lap, I reflect on how God helped me When my faith was really sapped.

With a praise song I say "Thanks, Lord! Or by shouting, "God, You're great!" I don't put it off till Sunday, I'm so grateful, I can't wait! Greg Asimakoupoulos

"No matter where you are, you cannot escape from Jesus. He will keep nocking on your door." -Pastor Norris

"The Christian faith offers peace in war, comfort in sorrow. strength in weakness, light in darkness."

"If you think you are too small to do a big thing, try doing small things in a big way."

Do not shirk the battle; in the hour of conflict, quit yourselves like men; in the day when everything is darkest, take the whole armor of God and be not dismayed, for he is with you." George H. Morrison

"If it is a crime to make a counterfeit dollar, it is a thousand times worse to make a

I will never leave you nor forsake you. (Hebrews 13:5)

"Ouotes Worth Remembering"

******** Quality means doing it right "God's message in when no one is looking." Henry Ford

> "And now let me address all of you, high and low, rich and poor, one with another, to accept of mercy while it is offered to you. Now is the accepted time; now the day of salvation. Will you not accept it, now it is affered unto you."

> > George Whitfield

"Press forward. Do not stop, do not linger in your journey, but strive for the mark set counterfeit man." before you." Abraham Lincoln

George Whitfield Who does God's work will

get God's pay."

times of distress is: Don't count the differences: count

the resources!"

Dance, Sing, Shout, and Praise

4:45 PM Wednesday, November 01, 2023 Prophetic Word Nancy Connell

My children... My children... MY CHILDREN....

I want you to dance. I want you to praise me. It does My heart so good to see it when My children dance and have a good time in My presence. It is when you can truly LET GO and dance... that the freedom takes place. The freedom of all things. You have to let go of what you think is expected of you. You have to let go of all the cares and the faces, the facade, ... and just enjoy yourself in Me.

When My people of old and new, young and elderly, just let go and become unashamed in Me, that is where you will receive the greatest victories... Not just in the church, anytime you praise Me.

Turn up the music in your home and just dance. Have a great time. Let go of all the religion and dance, dance, and praise Me.

Laugh... oh children how I love to hear you laugh... you have let the enemy take your laughter. You just handed it right on over, along with your true joy, true happiness, and your reason for living. Your reason should be to live IN ME. When does dancing displease Me or disgrace Me? When does living displease me? It is when you do not do these things that it saddens My heart and pains Me.

Let your hair down. Let your praise ring up here in the heaven and let it rise, let it rise, let it rise.

Oh My children, if you only would just allow yourself to see... I have begged. I have pleaded. I do this because I love you and I just want what is best for you. There is so much you are missing out because you just won't let it go... Just take a step of faith and do it.

If your shoes are full of concrete, take them off. If your ankles are chained stomp and break them off.

Oh Children, My beloved children, you HAVE to learn to dance. There is so much good and bad that is about to take place but your strength will be in your times of praise and worship in Me. It is what will spark the fires that I need started. It is what will show the world that I am not a dead God.

Oh My son David, he knew... before all - he knew – he let it all go no matter what he looked like – He knew just how to show everyone that I was God. He didn't care what anyone thought, not even his wife.

So why are you so uptight? Why do you care? Are you embarrassed to let it all go for Me? Are you too concerned of holding onto what I am trying to get you to let go of?

Ask yourself this question, "is it really worth my freedom? Is it worth all that My Father – God Almighty has for me? Am I willing to gamble it all away by being afraid to do such a little thing as dancing, singing, shouting, and praising the one true King?"

Do you not want to bring My heart joy? I am telling you how to do it... something so simple. It brings healing. It brings life. It brings freedom.

When you truly let go and let it all out. NO MORE EXCUSES. I don't want to hear you are too sick. You can tap your foot. I don't want to hear you are too tired. You can clap your hands. I don't want to hear you just can't, cause believe Me if you can complain and give excuses you can praise, you can worship, you can enjoy yourself in Me. BUT YOU have to want to. You have to take the first step.

This is not just a onetime thing, My children. You must make this a part of your life style. Kick your feet up and dance. Don't worry about what you look like. Just enjoy yourself in Me.

Dance. Sing. This is a time that you must let it all go and come up here with Me. Dance. Dance. Sing. Shout. It is time ... it is time. Oh My children ... it is time... Dance like David danced... Take that first step of Faith – and just see what will happen.

Forgiveness is the key that unlocks the door of resentment and the handcuffs of hatred. It is a power that breaks the chains of bitterness and the shackles of selfishness. -Corrie ten Boom

Jesus' Humility (part 5)

by Theresa McGinnis

Christ showed us His humility all through His life, and He expects His followers to walk in the same humility that He walked in. When Jesus began His ministry with the Beatitudes at the Sermon on the Mount He starts with, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." (Matthew 5:3,5) (continue on page 6)

This first proclamation reveals to us the open gate that we must go through to enter heaven. The poor- who have nothing in themselves, will find the kingdom. And the meek, who seek nothing in themselves, theirs will be the earth. Humility is the secret to blessings. Matthew 11:29 tells us, "Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your soul." Here He offers us meekness and lowliness, He says in it we will find rest for our soul. It is humility that will be our salvation. Remember when the disciples were arguing over who would be the greatest in the kingdom, they agreed to ask the Master and this was His response. He first set a small child in front of them and then said. "Whosoever shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 18:4) Then He also said. "He that is least among you, all the same shall be great." (Luke 9:48) In Matthew, when the sons of Zebedee had asked Jesus to sit on His right and left, the highest place in the Kingdom, Jesus told them that it was not His to give, but His Fathers. These places were reserved for those who they were prepared for, no one else could take those spots. This was not something that any man should look at, nor desire, nor ask for. Then He told them, "Whoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant, even as the Son of Man came to serve." - Matthew 20:27-28. The prime position in the church is promised to the humblest. Humility is the one standard of glory in heaven. The lowliest is the nearest to God. And in Matthew 12 when Jesus was talking to the multitude and His disciples about the Pharisees and their love of the chief seats, He said to them, "He that is the greatest among you shall be your servant." (Matthew 12:11) Humiliation is the only ladder to honor in God's Kingdom. On another occasion, while He was in the home of one of the Pharisee, He told a parable of a guest who would be invited to come up higher (Luke14:1-11). Then He added, "For whosoever exalted himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." There is no other way around it, self-abasement alone will be exalted. Then in Luke 18:14, Christ spoke again, "Everyone that exalted himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." In the temple and presence and worship of God, everything is worthless that is not pervaded by deep, true humility toward God and men. In John 13:14 Jesus was washing the disciples' feet when He told them, "If I then, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, ye also ought to wash one another's feet." Jesus Himself, was not ashamed to be a servant and was our example of how we should serve each other. Lastly, I would like to point out Luke 22:26, 27 where Jesus was at the Last Supper and the disciple were arguing about who should be the greatest; isn't this what we do in the house of God, and He told them, "He that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. I am among you as he that serveth." The path that Jesus walked, and which He opened up for us, is the humility that always makes us the servant of all. It is time to be a servant to Christ and those that He places in our surroundings, we need to stop trying for our own self-importance, and to act more like Christ.

Prepare, Receive & Release

Sis Grace Crescenzo

I believe this is His message to us today. It is important to make sure we have unnecessary items removed each day so we can travel lightly in this season of harvest. Every day we will be moving as His Spirit leads.

The Lord showed me a picture of the Body of Christ (His Bride) going through preparations to move.

When the bride prepares to move from her present home into the new, she sorts items & belongings, by discarding some things, and taking only her best.

Similar in the spirit realm...The Bride of Christ must sort all past and current things in our lives thus far. For us it would be a daily process necessary to keep our temple clean thereby being free to flow in the Holy Spirit assignments without delays and unnecessary distractions.

The Lord showed me items sorted in two separate boxes for preparation:

In the first box is placed all regrets, painful, hurtful memories, anger, frustration, doubt and unbelief, times of despair, loneliness, betrayal, and loss. Then we saturate the contents with tears of repentance, then apply blankets of Jesus Blood covering over it all, and the cross. We bring these before the Throne room to the fire of His love and forgiveness, and at the cry of repentance, He burns them to ashes underneath the finished work of His cross!

Through His mercy and grace, His breath blows upon those ashes, and His resurrection power brings them into a beautiful life of freedom in Him, filled with His Holy Spirit. This enables us to continue the work here on earth as Jesus did, bringing in the harvest.

In the other box, is placed good memories, all He has done, all that we have and are today, His changes in us thus far, all that we have, owned, or gained, our loved ones and friends He gave us, all the love, blessings, and miracles in our lives thus far, each new day to see His beautiful creation for us to enjoy.

All that is good and lovely in our lives thus far are placed in with blankets of thanksgiving and praise, filled to the top with all gratitude and love that God has poured into us all the years thus far. And in an act of pure love, we pour out our own "alabaster" box of our lives as loving worship, covering His feet, that bore the marks of His cross, and His selfless suffering for our sins, and the ability to become like Him! He then stood up, opened His nail scarred hands to us, and received our worship!

Oh Lord, You are beautiful! Help us during future storms to stay in humble surrender, allowing You to prepare our hearts continually to receive all that we need from You, and then fill and anoint our hands to release and pour out Your heart, and Your Holy Spirit to others, thereby bringing many into the Kingdom of God, in Jesus Holy Name! Thank You and Love You, Lord God!

The Word "Mother" Offensive?

Evangelist Kathryn Gore

Wow! Just when you thought you've heard it all, there's more still.

Just this week, I saw a clip of a guy randomly asking people on the street, "Do you find the word "Mother" to be offensive? How would you feel if you had to greet your mother as the "Gestational Carrier", or "Birthing Person" instead of greeting them as Mother?" They all were thrown off (rightfully so), suggesting this to be crazy. As they responded, the gentlemen stated, "So you're telling me, you're not following the science?"

Joe Biden's Health Secretary, the first Transgender in Office, praised a gender clinic that wants mothers to be called "egg producers", removing the word mother from their vocabulary to be inclusive.

I am completely dumbfounded by this. What is the world coming to?

The definition of science is "any system of knowledgethat is concerned with the physical world and its phenomena and that entails unbiased observations and systematic experimentation. In general, a science involves a pursuit of knowledge covering general truths or the operations of fundamental laws; knowledge of any kind."

People are twisting science to fit the culture of this time and it doesn't make sense.

One of the responses to the question about removing the word mother was stated, "There's mothers who adopt, their mothers who are considered grandmother's etc. I would consider this as a social role more than anything to do with the relation to your own body, I guess."

1 Timothy 6:20 warns us about false knowledge.

Guard the Heritage

20Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you, avoiding irreverent and empty speech and contradictions from what is falsely called knowledge.

We as Christians, know the truth. The world has tainted the truth, but truth will forever remain. God placed the title "Mother" upon women who give birth. Exodus 20:12: Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

A mother is more than an "egg producer". A mother is a parent who serves her child in love, providing wisdom, guidance, protection; and everything else that is needed to raise that child to be healthy both spiritually and physically. To suggest a mother to be called an "egg producer" is to remove the intimacy (close familiarity or friendship; closeness) that a mother would have with her child.

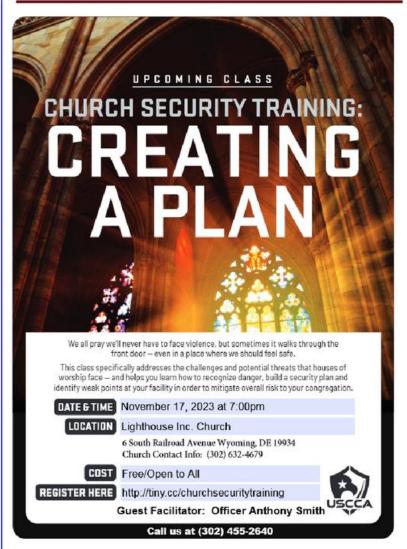
It is an honor to be a Mother. Most women in the bible considered themselves to be cursed when barren. Today, it's a curse to have a child and possibly to be called Mother? How silly can we be?

Women, don't let the enemy steal what God has given us. Walk in the truth of God everyday of your lives. I'm sure in the name of "science", they are working towards getting rid of the name "child" for the sons and daughters!

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Isaiah 66:13: "As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; and you will be comforted over Jerusalem."

John 16:21: "When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world."



A Rude Awakening Is Coming...

Reverend Christopher Gore

The American people are in for a rude awakening. We are starting to see more evidence that there is growing support for the Arab Muslims to take full and complete control of the land of Israel. The threats that are coming in from these Muslims is real.

The Muslim radicals have started attacking our military bases overseas. There is growing, consistent chatter amongst credible military and intelligence sources that attacks have been planned and scheduled for different locations around the United States.

The deception that is going on right now occurs on two different levels. Level consists of those here in the United States who believe that the Muslim radicals agree and support our American alternative lifestyles. They believe they can live their LGBTQIA+ minded lifestyle and the Muslim radicals will embrace them in that lifestyle. What the American people fail to realize is that the Muslim radicals are killing the Alphabet crew. They don't want them. They don't want their lifestyles. Even though the alphabet crew is sympathetic to the Muslim radicals, the Muslim radicals refuse to allow them to be named in their religion if they do not change and truly convert to Islam. The Muslim radicals only goal is to kill Jews and Christians from the earth.

Level 2 consists of those who refuse to accept that the Muslim radicals will do everything in their power to steal, kill, and destroy anyone who does not believe and follow the Islamic religion. One can try to be neutral if one wants, you are still a target. Their whole mindset is that you will bow your knee to Allah or have your head cut off.

If only the Church would have this mindset with serving Christ in the proper perspective, we would go far. At this given time the Church needs to wake up and get a clue. The failure to see the truth in this is going to cause more loss of life. People are going to die in their deception and belief that Muslim radicals goal is for peace and harmony in the world. The Muslim radicals have no desire to sit in a circle singing Kum Baya while smoking peace pipes.

People in Church believe with all of their hearts that they can pray and fast this evil away. This will be another rude awakening. There will be a lot of weight loss that will take place in the Body of Christ. This will not change the agenda of the Muslim radicals. In addition to this stupidity are the prayer movements that have been started. Some prayers that are being prayed right now are passionate, loving and kind but they are being prayed in error. These prayers are looking to change the circumstances and the timeline of God for bringing back His son. These prayers are fruitless and a complete waste of time.

It would be wise for people to seek what God's true purpose is for this season of our lives. The American Christian mindset that there will be a happy ending at the end of this is not going to play out. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. It will be the American Christians who will be doing this. Take a moment to pause and calmly think of this.

It Is Finished.

Reverend Astrid Sherriff

John 19:28-30 After this, when Jesus knew that all was over and that the Scripture might be fulfilled, he said, "I thirst." 29 There was a jar full of vinegar there, so they soaked a sponge in the vinegar and put it on a branch of hyssop and put it in his mouth. 30 When Jesus tasted the vinegar, he said, "It is all done." Then he bowed his head and gave up the spirit.

Jesus died for us to save us from our sins. His love is unconditional to us. He sent the Holy Spirit to teach us how to bring the good news to the harvest.

Hebrews 9:12 entered once and for all into the Holy of Holies. He did not do it with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus achieving an eternal ransom.

Hebrews 9:26 If it were so, Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. On the contrary, now, at the end of time, He has come forward once and for all in order to put an end to sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

Luke 19:10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost.

In the accounts of the crucifixion found in Matthew, Mark, and John, we know that Jesus was offered a sponge with wine vinegar to drink. It is John's gospel that lets us know that Jesus said, "I thirst." After this drink was offered to them, Matthew and Mark tell us that Jesus cried out again with a loud voice (Matthew 28:50; Mark 15:37), and then gave up his spirit. The Gospel of John simply says that Jesus said, "It is finished," not to mention that he cried out aloud. Luke quotes the words he cries out aloud: "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit" (Luke 23:46).

Another finished work on the cross was the judgment and punishment of sin necessary for our redemption. If we go back to the Garden of Eden, after Adam and Eve sinned, God covered them with clothes made from the skin of an animal (Genesis 3:21). Last time I checked, to remove the skin from an animal, you have to kill it to do it. In doing this, God established the principle that something or someone had to die in order for sin to be covered or dealt with. The slaughter of the animal to cover the sin of Adam and Eve foreshadows the sacrifices required in the law to cover the sins of the Israelites. Ultimately, this pointed to Jesus' sacrifice on the cross to cover our sins and remove them. Isaiah 53:5-6 He was pierced for our transgressions and crushed for our iniquities. Punishment fell upon him, the price of our peace, and thanks to his wounds we were healed.

We were all lost like sheep, each one going his own way, but the LORD laid on him the iniquity of us all. The forgiveness of sins was made available through the shedding of blood. "In fact, the law requires that almost everything be cleansed with blood, and without bloodshed there is no forgiveness." (Hebrews 9:22)

By Jesus dying on the cross and shedding His blood, He provided forgiveness of sins. Because the judgment of sin (death) and the payment of sin (blood) were complete, Jesus was able to say, "it is finished." Jesus' last 7 words, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34).

WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT CATARACTS

Reverend Naomi Nichols

A cataract is a progressive, painless clouding of the natural, internal lens of the eye. Cataracts block light, making it difficult to see clearly. Over a period of time, cataracts can cause blindness, if not treated or removed.

WHAT CAUSES CATARACTS

While the risk grows as you get older, these factors may also contribute:

Diabetes, Smoking, Excess alcohol use, Eye injury, Prolonged use of corticosteroids, prolonged exposure to sunlight or radiation.

SYMPTOMS

BLURRY VISION – This is the most common symptom. Your view may look foggy, filmy or cloudy and over time, as the cataracts get worse, less light reaches the retina.

GLARE – Sensitivity to light. You may have trouble seeing in bright sunlight. Indoor lights that once didn't bother you now may seem too bright or have halos. Driving at night may be a problem because of the glare caused by streetlights and oncoming headlights.

DOUBLE VISION – Images appear double even with just one eye open (known as diplopia)

COLOR CHANGES – Your vision may gradually take on a brownish or yellowish tinge. Over time, it may make it harder to distinguish blues and purples.

NEW PRESCRIPTION – Frequent changes to your eyeglass or contact lens prescription can be a sign of cataracts. This is because cataracts are usually progressive, meaning they get worse over time.

DIAGNOSIS

An eye doctor will perform an eye exam and test your vision and examine your eyes with a slit lamp microscope to look for problems with the lens and other parts of the eye. The pupils are dilated to better examine the back of the eye, where the retina and optic nerve lie.

TREATMENT

You may need surgery to remove the cataracts. The cloudy lens is removed and replaced with an artificial lens. Surgery is done as an outpatient basis. It is safe and extremely effective at improving vision. If cataracts are present in both eyes, surgery will be done on one eye at a time.



Purposeful Testimony

Reverend Aaron Betz

Our testimony is something that cannot be bought. It comes as a result of how we walk through life with (and even) without God.

Revelation 11:12[NKJV] And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

Our testimony is something that is mighty to pulling down strongholds. Our testimony testifies of God's ability to conquer and to overcome the darkness and unrighteousness in our lives. Our testimony gives ourselves and others strength. It bears witness to others of God's power and reminds us of the same.

Something that made the Apostle Paul so powerful in God was the might of his testimony.

Paul spoke this of himself:

Philippians 3: 5-6 [BSB] as to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as to zeal, persecuting the church; as to righteousness in the law, faultless.

He was the most religious, the most zealous, and the most self-righteous on the block. God then used Paul to teach the (whole) church the deep wisdom of true love, humility, and a true spiritual life. Before coming to God, Paul spent time zealously persecuting the church, then he became one that cheerfully endured persecution. He knew and lived both sides of the coin.

What has God brought you out of? What coin do you hold? Guard your testimony. We all want to have a well-rounded testimony that is full of wisdom and understanding. God will give us revelation and wisdom that goes right along with our testimony so that it can grow deeper and bear more fruit. As we grow in God's understanding, we can apply the depths of His wisdom into our lives and the lives of others.

Understanding works to connect the dots; to provide us with deep clarity. God will connect all the dots for us and we will find out that we can then start to help others out by connecting the dots in their lives through our testimony. When God gives us wisdom and direction, it is always meant to reach beyond you. God shows much forethought in all of the things that He teaches us. He knows where He is taking you and who He is taking you to.

The more that we grow in wisdom and understanding in our own lives the less room confusion will have. This is so vital at this time as we can look around us and see confusion running rampant. When we think about the harvest of souls that is coming in we know that they are currently lost and undone. The answer to their confusion is understanding that leads to trust in God. All godly wisdom will lead one back to the foot of the cross and in proper dependence on God for all things in their lives. This keeps one connected to God and protected by His covering and filled with His power.

Who Are You, Really?

By: Reverend Brett Connell

Many of us spend a portion of our lives trying to find our place in life. We try different things, behave different ways, making attempts at being one way or another in order to find that happy medium of success, popularity, and individuality that will provide some sort of comfort to us. The hope is that we will be likeable, needed, wanted, loved, or otherwise accepted by the people around us. This is what the world system encourages, and it suggests we follow the trend in order to remain acceptable.

The trouble with this is how it conflicts with the Bible. I want to introduce you to your unique calling; the way God has made you to be in Christ. Each individual is unique, and we all have a flavor of personality that is quite different from the other flavors. There is only one of you, and God designed you this way on purpose for a reason.

There is a vision God wants you to see – when you put together your personality, gifts, talents, and abilities together in a mixing pot. The final ingredient is the destiny God has for your life. What has God been saying to you that you will do for Him? Will you travel the world, preaching the Gospel? Perhaps God has said you will have internet teachings that spread throughout social media, reaching audiences all over? Maybe God has told you that you will prophesy truth into people's lives, and receive dreams and visions from Him that you will share with others?

You have to place your calling and destiny together with the natural talents and giftings God has given you, to see and understand the "how" you'll be doing God's work together with the "what" you'll be doing for God. It is important to understand that our flesh is not part of these equations. Our personality was shaped by a corrupted world, and we need deep deliverance and healing to work out the fabric of the enemy so that we can flow in the personality God designed for us from the beginning. This takes sanctification, a process, and submission to God in daily life.

The Word of God tells us that we will be despised for following Jesus, hated for His Namesake. People will do all manner of evil against you, simply because you are fulfilling the Word as you do the work God has called you to do. One major stumbling block for Christians is the fact that suffering, torment, affliction, and injustice are but a few of the marks of your true identity. When we accept this truth, we are able to receive the comfort of the Holy Spirit as we suffer for Christ. It isn't always easy, and sometimes we reach a place of despair, but Jesus had His garden experience also. We should embrace the unique path God has for us and do like Jesus did, when we reach that place, by saying "not my will, but your will be done, God."

All the suffering we go through is for a greater purpose. Every soul could be saved because of what Jesus went through. Maybe there are souls out there that will only be saved if you go through your valley experience? Let's know who we are, and fight forward – winning souls for Christ.

What Do You Mean I Am Not Walking in the Spirit? PART 2

Nancy Connell

(Continuation from last week – Bulletin 10-29-23)

Most of these same people ask why is this one not changing, or that one not changing – or they find themselves doing exactly what they were talking about with someone else. The answer to that is in the next scripture:

15If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

Destruction comes in all shapes and sizes. But the truth is if we were to walk in LOVE – God's LOVE - destruction would not come.

So let's move onto the next scripture...

16So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

{If you were truly walking in the Spirit – By the Spirit and His leading... what you want would not matter – especially if it goes against the nature of God – His Spirit. You would not care if anyone sees what you did or how much you know. You would see that the bathroom mirror needs to be cleaned, and clean it without telling a soul. You would see that Pastor Barbara's chair is dirty and take time to clean it – properly. You would see a position in the church that may need to be filled that you know how to do or can offer some advice and do your part without recognition or even the expectancy of it being accepted. You would simply offer and trust that the one you give it to will do what is best for the Church as a whole.

But to deny the Church of something you can do for the sake of "self" – you need to be fed, you need the prophetic word, you need to be healed, you need to be set free – all of this will stop you from walking in the fullness of the Spirit.

When the Glory comes in all its fullness, God spoke through Pastor Barbara in service that it will be WORK time. That means all the "serve me" mentality can no longer be. You will have to just trust that God will know what you need when you need it and trust that God will put it in Pastor Barbara's heart as He does and that is when you will receive it. Until then you have to be about the Work of God's Kingdom for other SOULS to be feed, ministered to, and perhaps even advance further than you simply because that is what they are called to do. And NOT do the things that are against who God is and what He stands for.}

It is not that what you want doesn't matter. God does take into account and cares about the desires of your HEART. But what God wants will take priority no matter what your personal desire is. To be able to walk that out and overcome it, you must crucify the flesh. You may find this to be hard at first but the more you do it, the easier it gets and the Spirit will take the lead in your life over the flesh.

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