Power of Resurrection Part 11: Relationships

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Without God, we can do nothing. Not just the saving Jesus, but the personal, relational God, that has called us into a personal walk with Him. And as we begin to respond to the call of God, the pull of God that was pulling in our spirit, and recognising that actually, our freedom doesn't lie in self dreams, and the oneness of self, and in our desires, and in all of the goals that we set for yourself and those things that we want to achieve in life. Our walk with God is actually in the Word of God. It's not just in the Word of God, it's also in the body of Christ that is the Ecclesia of God.

Say: Lord help me to get free from myself, from my past, and all those things that caused confusion, fear and seem to keep crushing my dreams, my peace, and my hope, help me Lord, to live my life, with purpose and with joy.

"So with the wisdom given to me from the Lord I say: You should not live like the unbelievers around you who walk in their empty delusions. Their corrupted logic has been clouded because their hearts are so far from God—their blinded understanding and deep-seated moral darkness keeps them from the true knowledge of God."

(Ephesians 4:17-18 TPT)

If you make choices in your heart, your mind sets about analyzing all the activities, all the conversations, everything that's happening around your world, to justify what you have chosen in your heart. But this scripture says that not only are you ignorant, not only is your understanding darkened, not only do you have the futility of mind, but, you also have blindness of your heart.

If you are still focused on yourself, even though you may be born again, what happens is that your life is still full of your dreams, it's full of your desires, it's full of your goals. You are still walking in self oneness.

The very word of God is being choked in your life.

How do you know if the Word of God is being choked in your life?

All your prayers, all your confessions, all your declarations, and your church life is about you. Then already weeds are growing right next to the Word. It's about me! About self.

How do you know that the Word of God is growing up in your heart, where things are not being choked and you're not being deceived, and all of those lust of your eyes, lust of the flesh and the pride of life, and those things are not consuming you.

You will know that actually, you can't wait to get to church on a Sunday. And when you do come to church on a Sunday, you come with an open heart of worship, you come with an open heart of praise and thanksgiving. You're not actually looking to serve someone so you can get something in return. You're looking to bring your gift and your service, because you actually really want to serve Him. And then you recognise the messenger that God has sent into your life.

You have to understand that there's a journey you've got to walk with the church.

You don't have to be stuck in a cage of self-oneness. But you've got to let somebody help you out there because you can't let yourself out.



You never get to a point in your life where the self-oneness, self-desire, self-goal, self-dreams doesn't come and rise up inside of you. Even every significant minister and preacher that has graced this earth has had to struggle with that until the day they die.

7 But if you live in life-union with me and if my words live powerfully within you—then you can ask whatever you desire and it will be done. 8 When your lives bear abundant fruit, you demonstrate that you are my mature disciples who glorify my Father! (John 15:7,8 TPT)

Sometimes, you have to bear fruit. You have to bear fruit by just not saying anything. Sometimes you have to be strong and you have to stand up and say strong things.

If the love of God is in you, and you want fruit inside the church environment, you have to be on your guard and you've got to be constantly aware that every relationship that you're touching, that your words are and your behavior is one that wants them to grow to the fullness of what God's called them to.

To be pruned is painful, but to bear good fruit is glorious!

Say: Prune me Lord, my behavior is not good! This in my life is out of order.

I'm wrong. I repent. All of the stuff that I really want for myself, I let it burn on the altar. Burn it with fire, Lord. Let Your hammer break down the most stubborn resistance that's in my heart.