

# *Journey to New Discoveries Part 10*

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When God gives you a desire and puts His plan into your heart, then almost certainly it will be to serve others and not yourself. If your dream is self-serving and self-centred, then almost always it is a measure of your desire, not God's. If your dream is to serve others and is motivated by the love of others, and giving and caring for others, then you can be sure that it's God motivated, because that's definitely not the devil talking to you

Jesus came to fulfill the law, not preach it. Jesus came as a fulfillment of promise, so we can be free from performance. The devil can only imitate the promise by giving you rewards from performance. The system rewards performance; God rewards faith, and fulfils promise.

You can't receive power if you don't receive truth. Now we live in promise, not performance. We live in power, not personality. We exchange our lives for purpose, not popular culture. Purpose is dependent on truth and power, not on performance.

If you live in perception instead of truth, you will open yourself to deception. Perception is something you think is truth, but it's not really truth. The only way out of deception is correction by the truth. Rejection of correction will enforce your perception that the highest form of self-believing is the truth.

To someone in the world, tithing is not logical. But truth, your recreated spirit man understands that when you are sealing your covenant with God with your income by your tithe, you're giving God glory for your health, your strength, your intelligence, your talent, everything you've got. When you honor God with your tithes, your spiritual man has the right to access all of your covenant when it comes to your well-being because that's your covenant connector. That is a spiritual knowing, that's not a logical process.

A spiritually mature person thinks according to the truth, not according to his logic or his human experience. A baby Christian is someone who always wants to live according to their desires and their logic. They're saved, but they want to live according to the human experience.

Romans chapter 12:1 (MSG), <sup>1-2</sup> ... God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life, And place it before God as an offering. Your logic, your responsibilities, your dreams, all the things that you want to accomplish in life - give it as an offering to God. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you. If you see everybody else in life living and you say, "I've got to live the way everybody else lives because that's the way to live," You are just like a mouse on a treadmill. Everybody else is running the wheel, so that must be the right thing to do; let's run the wheel. And the faster the mouse can run, the more you can get things done. You get ahead because you're faster than the other mouse. You can work harder than the other mouse. You're on the same treadmill as every other mouse. It's time for Christians to get off the treadmill

God saved you out of the water and He made you good and He doesn't expect you to jump back in the water and say, "I've got to go and identify with all those people drowning and splash around and make a big noise because that's the way to live life." Half drowning all the time. Doesn't it feel like that to you sometimes that you're trying to save money, you're trying to make a way of life - and it's like always just treading water, I'm just, just, just. God doesn't want us to live like that. He doesn't want us to be adapted to the culture around us. He wants to bring out the

best for us. So, if we give our lives to Him, He'll do it. He'll show you how. He didn't save you, just leave you like everybody else in the world. It has become so real to me that God has saved us from being like everybody else. I used to think that the best kind of Christian is the excelling kind of Christian that does better than anybody else in the world because you've got Christ who can help you do the things of the world better than anybody else. Well, I happen to believe now that if you obey God, it might be different to what the world is doing but it'll have a better outcome than what the world's doing.

In Romans 13:11-14 (MSG) says, <sup>11-14</sup> But make sure that you don't get so absorbed and exhausted in taking care of all of your day-by-day obligations that you lose track of time and doze off, oblivious to God. Romans 13:11-14 basically says, God's about wrapping up.

Matthew 24:4 (NKJV) <sup>4</sup> And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. Many will come and want to use Christianity as a way of leading into sin, deceiving people into a way of life that seems to be okay but it's actually away from Christ. <sup>6</sup> And you will hear of wars and rumours of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. <sup>7</sup> For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. <sup>8</sup> All these are the beginning of sorrows. (Matthew 24:6-8 NKJV)

Jesus was talking about the end is not yet. He says, "But in the meantime, before the end comes, there will be many that will come to deceive, to lead you astray, to lead you a different way." As I progress in my own revelation and walk before God, I'm more convinced than ever that we are not supposed to live the way the world is telling us to live. We are supposed to live according to the way Jesus says we must live. Because the more we try and fit in with the world, the more we are going to be deceived to live as a Christian, the way the world finds acceptable.

So, there are some things that I can do something about. What can I do? I can make sure I walk in truth, so I'm not deceived, and I don't walk around in lawlessness. I can make sure that I'm loving God and stay red-hot in my love for God.

So, it boils down to a very simple truth that I have declared to you many times, but it's the most valuable truth that I can continue to share with you. How do you walk in your walk with God successfully, so that you do not get deceived? You got to walk with God every day, one day at a time, and you've got to live in the truth of God today. The Bible says in Matthew chapter 6, don't even worry about tomorrow because tomorrow has got enough trouble of its own.

We want to plan all of our tomorrows. There is great danger in that deception because the minute you can plan all of your tomorrows, you stop living in your faith today. I want to live in my faith now. Now faith is the substance of things hoped for. If I can plan out my tomorrow then I don't need faith now. So, the minute I don't need faith, I'm going to just live in the logic of my planning for tomorrow.

The world says, "You have to perform today. I say, "No, thank you, I want power today. I don't need performance today. If I need to go and catch a boatload of fish, He just says, "Put your boat out, cast on the other side, obey My words and I'll show you how wealthy you can get in one morning. Then you don't have to worry about any tomorrow, just follow Me. Just say, *Today I'm going to live in faith, I'm going to live in truth. I'm going to live in the Word today. Today, I'm going to give my life to Jesus. Today I'm going to live with Jesus. I can't worry about tomorrow, but today I am going to give Him everything I've got. And when I get to tomorrow, I'm going to do it again. As long as there are tomorrows, I'm going to give Him my todays.*

Do you understand that if I live like this, I don't really care when the Son of God is coming. I don't care when the tribulation is, because God says, "Oh, the time is up and things are about to happen but because you are an elect, I am going to shorten the time for you. Before you have a chance to quit on your love for Me, I will take you out of here." Well, what does that look like? Who cares?

*I say: I take my logic and I switch it off. I'm going to faith it. I'm going to live by the Word of Jesus, and by His Words I live my life. I give me whole self to the Word of God, to the truth of Jesus Christ. Him crucified, Him raised from the dead and Him living in me. I am His child. He will never let me down. Hallelujah. Glory to God*