

Monday, 22 February 2016

Mat 6:33-34

*But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."*

It seems to be time for a refresher course in living in and walking out the Kingdom of Heaven in the here and now. A time to remind me of what it means to trust the LORD, God the Almighty in **all things**. Not so much of a detour from my examination of the characteristics of the LORD as an examination of the out working of those characteristics.

**Lesson 1:** 1st order of priority is to focus on the righteousness of God as it is played out in the Kingdom, remembering that my constant prayer is that the Kingdom of Heaven will be active in the here and now through me.

**Lesson 2: TRUST GOD IN ALL THINGS**

**Lesson 3:** Focus on today. Yes, I have decisions to make each day that depends on what will happen in the future, but if I make those decisions based on the leading of the Holy Spirit, I have no basis for anxiety.

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Tuesday, 23 February 2016

Joshua 1:7-9

*Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."*

**Lesson 4:** Review Lesson 3. The process of equipping myself, enabling myself to live in today is to be diligent to hide the Word of God in my heart (Ps 119:11).

**Lesson 5:** I am to meditate on the Word constantly. Meditate is the same Hebrew word that is translated in Is. 34:11 as a lion growling over its prey. I am to chew on the

Word, assimilate it into every aspect of my life.

**Lesson 6: TRUST GOD IN ALL THINGS.** I am to be bold in applying the Word in my life; I am to declare His goodness at every opportunity; no anxiety; no call for dismay for all obstacles are surmountable. I need to create my own version of the Breastplate of St. Patrick.

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Wednesday, 24 February 2016

Romans 8:28

*And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.*

**Lesson 7:** I love the LORD, God the Almighty with all my heart, soul, mind and strength; I am convinced that I am called according to His purpose. Therefore, I am convinced that **ALL THINGS** work together for my good whether I am able to see that good at the present time. As a consequence of this conviction, I am to search for the good in **ALL THINGS AT ALL TIMES**.

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Thursday, 25 February 2016

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

**Lesson 8:** The goal of my life is to develop a *modus operandi* that is infused with joy, prayer and thanksgiving (see Lessons 1-6). And to not be discouraged when I fail but to go to my knees in repentance, knowing that the Lord forgives me and sends His Holy Spirit to continue the process of guiding me into **ALL TRUTH**.

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Friday, 26 February 2016

2 Corinthians 9:8

*And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.*

**Lesson 9:** Notice the precious "**ALLS**" in this verse. There are no limits on the resources supplied to me that I need to accomplish **ALL** good works that the LORD, God the Almighty has set before me. I must not ever read this passage without hearing that fearsome voice thundering

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WHO WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU NOR FORSAKE YOU.**

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*Saturday, 27 February 2016*

*Ephesians 2:10*

*For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.*

**Lesson 10 to** ∞ I am not to forget that I:

- am a demonstration of His workmanship,
- was created for His purposes at the very moment that He spoke the Creation into being,
- am charged with this as my way of life.

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*Lord's Day, February 2016*

*Psalm 119:66*

*Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments.*

This has to be a foundational verse for me today. There will be many challenges to my judgment and knowledge today, may each be met by the judgment and knowledge that can only come from You. Be my docent of life today and every day.

# *VOICES TOGETHER*

*Daily Meditations from the Scriptures*



*February 22-28, 2016*

I was dealing with a very difficult and perplexing problem in the spring of 1989 and tackling it by trying to learn everything I could on the subject. One evening, as I continued my studies, God told me very clearly that the root of the problem was that I did not know Him. I put down the book I was reading and picked up a Bible figuring that was where I was going to find Him. That began what has been a 27-year search to know, really know in a John 17:3 way, the Lord, God the Almighty.\*

Voices Together has and continues to be, a very important part of that search. It is extracted from my daily meditations and is shared in the hope that others will be encouraged to turn to the Scriptures as a rich source of guidance for prayer and meditation.

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\* LORD, God the Almighty always refers to the Trinitarian God.