

Monday, 3 October 2016

Deuteronomy 12:28

*Be careful to obey all these words that I command you, that it may go well with you and with your children after you forever, when you do what is good and right in the sight of the LORD your God.*

What more important place to demonstrate a life lead in obedience to every Word that proceeds from the mouth of God than in my family and before my children and grandchildren. It is in the closeness and privacy of the family that there is demonstration of the failure or success of the reality of my faith.

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Tuesday, 4 October 2016

Deuteronomy 13:1-4

*"If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you and gives you a sign or a wonder, and the sign or wonder that he tells you comes to pass, and if he says, 'Let us go after other gods,' which you have not known, 'and let us serve them,' you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams. For the LORD your God is testing you, to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. You shall walk after the LORD your God and fear him and keep his commandments and obey his voice, and you shall serve him and hold fast to him.*

In Acts 17, the saints of Berea were commended for checking Paul's teaching against Scripture. Should anyone else expect that they should be exempt from the same stipulation? If someone teaches that something, disobedient to the Word, is an acceptable practice, it's time for me to get going. I don't want to fail a test by the LORD, God the Almighty; the false prophet must answer for himself.

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Wednesday, 5 October 2016

Deuteronomy 26:17

*You have declared today that the LORD is your God, and that you will walk in his ways, and keep his statutes and his commandments and his rules, and will obey his voice.*

When I declared that I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 16:31), I was making a declaration that the LORD, God the Almighty is my God, that I will walk in His ways, keep His statutes, commandments and rules, and obey His voice.

Did the scope of that commitment soak in at that moment. No! It was the beginning of a still ongoing process called sanctification.

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Thursday, 6 October 2016

Deuteronomy 28:1-2

*"And if you faithfully obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God.*

Not a prosperity gospel promise but a promise of life in the Kingdom of Heaven in the here and now as I await the Kingdom yet to come. A promise of life in the righteousness, peace and joy on earth. Peace on earth, good will to men!

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Friday, 7 October 2016

Deuteronomy 28:15

*"But if you will not obey the voice of the LORD your God or be careful to do all his commandments and his statutes that I command you today, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you.*

Yes, the favor of the LORD, God the Almighty does rest upon His people (see yesterday), but I can lose that favor when I deliberately disobey Him. I need to be listening for that quiet voice of the Spirit to point out that I have strayed. Proverbs 28:9 "If one turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination." is a strong warning against deliberate disobedience.

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Saturday, 8 October 2016

Deuteronomy 30:1-3

*"And when all these things come upon you, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before you, and you call them to mind among all the nations where the LORD your God has driven you, and return to the LORD your God, you and your children, and obey his voice in all that I command you today, with all your heart and with all your soul, then the LORD your God will restore your fortunes and have mercy on you, and he will gather you again from all the peoples where the LORD your God has scattered you.*

Ah, the LORD, God the Almighty is a God of forgiveness and restoration. Quick and eager to forgive; quick and eager to resume the process of leading me into a fuller and deeper relationship with Him; quick and eager to hear my prayers off worship and supplication. What an awesome God is the LORD, God the Almighty. Praise Him. May every aspect of my life bring glory and honor to His Name.

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*Lord's Day, 9 October 2016*

*Psalm 119:154, 156, 159,160*

*Plead my cause and redeem me; give me life according to your promise! Great is your mercy, O LORD; give me life according to your rules. Consider how I love your precepts! Give me life according to your steadfast love.*

“Give me life according to Your....” There is no other source of life, no other basis, no place to go but to Your promises, to Your rules, to Your steadfast love. Complete, total, without lack or blemish. Life in the Kingdom, here and now.

*The sum of your word is truth, and every one of your righteous rules endures forever.*

# *VOICES TOGETHER*

*Daily Meditations from the Scriptures*



*October 3-9, 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 or LORD, God the Almighty always refers to the Trinitarian God.