

If Anyone..., Let him Come to Me

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My Ways... My Thoughts...

Isaiah 55:8-9 (NKJV) 8 “For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways,” says the Lord. 9 “For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

Oh, that they had a heart...

Deuteronomy 5:27-31 (NKJV) 27 You go near and hear all that the Lord our God may say, and tell us all that the Lord our God says to you, and we will hear and do it.’ 28 “Then the Lord heard the voice of your words when you spoke to me, and the Lord said to me: ‘I have heard the voice of the words of this people which they have spoken to you. They are right in all that they have spoken. 29 Oh, that they had such a heart in them that they would fear Me and always keep all My commandments, that it might be well with them and with their children forever! 30 Go and say to them, “Return to your tents.” 31 But as for you, stand here by Me, and I will speak to you all the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments which you shall teach them, that they may observe them in the land which I am giving them to possess.’

End Goal... God Has Life in View

That You May Believe

John 20:30-31 (NKJV) 30 And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

David Hamstrung the Horses

2 Samuel 8:3-6 (NKJV) 3 David also defeated Hadadezer the son of Rehob, king of Zobah, as he went to recover his territory at the River Euphrates. 4 David took from him one thousand chariots, seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand foot soldiers. Also David hamstrung all the chariot horses, except that he spared enough of them for one hundred chariots. 5 When the Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadadezer king of Zobah, David killed twenty-two thousand of the Syrians. 6 Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus; and the Syrians became David’s servants, and brought tribute. So the Lord preserved David wherever he went.

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Have you been exposed to religion, or have you met Jesus?

-Man's religion is what you have when the heart is directed unto something less than Christ.

-Man's religion is a substitute for God.

-God did not send His Son so that Man could have something other than His Son.

-God sent His Son so that Man could receive His Son.

-God did not send His Son so that Man could have a better religion, a true religion, or even a correct religion.

-But God sent His Son so that the soul of man could have Eternal Life in abundance.

-Once the soul of man receives this Eternal Life, God works that we may come to know this Life we have received.

Reality & The Knowledge of Reality

-New Birth *then* The Knowledge of New Birth

-Fullness *then* The Knowledge of Fullness

Sit, then Walk

-*First* the soul is Established in Reality (Acts 7:2)

-*Then* the heart is Established in the Knowledge of Reality (Gen 12 - Gen 16)

-Finally the heart Begins to Walk in Reality (Gen 17:1)

Abraham Suffered the Loss of His Father

Genesis 11:31-32 (NKJV) ³¹ And Terah took his son Abram and his grandson Lot, the son of Haran, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, his son Abram's wife, and they went out with them from Ur of the Chaldeans to go to the land of Canaan; and they came to Haran and dwelt there. ³² So the days of Terah were two hundred and five years, and Terah died in Haran.

Abraham / Lot / and Land

Genesis 13:7-12 (NKJV) ⁷ And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. The Canaanites and the Perizzites then dwelt in the land. ⁸ So Abram said to Lot, "Please let there be no strife between you and me, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we are brethren. ⁹ Is not the whole land before you? Please separate from me. If you take the left, then I will go to the right; or, if you go to the right, then I will go to the left." ¹⁰ And Lot lifted his eyes and saw all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere (before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah) like the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt as you go toward Zoar. ¹¹ Then Lot chose for himself all the plain of Jordan, and Lot journeyed east. And they separated from each other. ¹² Abram dwelt in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelt in the cities of the plain and pitched his tent even as far as Sodom.

Abraham as Priest

Genesis 18:20-21 (NKJV) 20 And the Lord said, “Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grave, 21 I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry against it that has come to Me; and if not, I will know.”

-Abraham continues to intercede for weakness of Lot

Tabernacles & The Pool of Siloam

John 7:37-38 (NKJV) 37 On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. 38 He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.”

John 9:10-11 (NKJV) 10 Therefore they said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” 11 He answered and said, “A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed, and I received sight.”

(IVP-NT) NT Bible Background Commentary: Jn 9:11

9:7. It is not clear whether “Siloam” meant “sent,” but Greek teachers as well as Jewish teachers from Philo to the rabbis commonly made arguments based on wordplays, which were often based on fanciful etymologies.

Although Siloam was used as a water supply and for baptizing converts to Judaism, it has more direct significance here. This was probably still the last day of the Feast of Tabernacles (7:2, 37), and the water of Siloam was the sacred water used for this feast (see comment on 7:37-38). Here Jesus employs the ritual water (cf. 2:6; 3:5), but it works only because the man is “sent.

Preparation & Permanent Change

-Water Baptism (a temporary change) symbolized a preparation for

-The Greater Baptism of God which Resulted in an Eternal Permanent Change