

Title: Be Found In Him

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“Father, I ask in Jesus’ name that you will continue to open up our understanding and illuminate your heart to us. That everyone will have an ear to hear what the Spirit of the Lord is saying to the churches. May everyone have eyes to see and will see the heart of God. That our heart would be open, be ignited, brought back to life, renewed and overjoyed with your presence and the hope of the gospel today. In Jesus’ name we pray, amen.”

This is part two of the word from last week on April 27, entitled, “The Spirit Quickens.” You can listen to it online if you were not there.

II Corinthians 3:4-6 DBY

“And such confidence have we through Christ towards God: not that we are competent of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves, but our competency is of God; who has also made us competent, as ministers of the new covenant; not of the letter, but of the spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit quickens.”

The Spirit quickens and gives life. “What confidence we have in our Father, in Jesus Christ, in great Holy Spirit, in His Word, in His Kingdom, and His way of building. His wisdom, His counsel, His might, His knowledge, His power, His authority, His revelation, and His insight. This is where the Spirit quickens the believer. He comes to wake us up and literally impart to us His very heart, His thoughts, His ways, and His intentions. He quickens us by the Holy Spirit. He quickens us every day. He says, “It is a new day in Him.” That is why He says, “Today is the day of salvation.” So, you get up in the morning, you say, “*This is the day that the Lord has made. I shall be glad and rejoice in it.*” Especially if you wake up in a grumpy mood. It is good to say, “*This is the day that the Lord has made. I shall be glad and rejoice in it.*” It will shift everything. It is the Spirit who gives life. It is the Spirit who quickens.

Mark 4:11 NKJV

Believers in Jesus Christ, you have been given to know the mystery of the Kingdom of God. That is not just a church thing, right? It is not just a mission trip. It is not even a good Bible study. It is not about anything you can do really. It is about God’s Kingdom. It is about the Kingdom of Heaven. Then He says, “*I have chosen to give you understanding and revelation, to know the mystery of the Kingdom of God.*” To understand and know that you belong to Him. This is a mystery. All believing Christianity is a big act of faith. Yes, even those *living* when Jesus walked on the planet, could hear His words of life from Him face to face, and still would not believe. You see, it is a spiritual thing.

It is a spiritual thing, and it is the Spirit who quickens and brings understanding. He is the One that delivers us from the spirit of stupor. He is the One that delivers us from unbelief and doubt. He is one that delivers us from being lazy, procrastinating, drawing back from life, being hopeless, fatigued, without hope, without vision or purpose. He is the One that resurrects us. He is the One that brought our spirit to life. Because as soon as you made Him lord and savior, your spirit was born again. Yes, hallelujah. Say, “the Spirit quickens.” Now say it again. There you go.

Romans 8:9-11 NKJV

You are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit. You say, "Lord, I am a body. I am a human. I am in the flesh." But, He is talking about the ones who have been born again from above. Yes, you are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit. We are not trying to perfect ourselves according to our own flesh. It is the Spirit who quickens us. It is the Spirit who causes the growth. God said earlier, "God causes the growth." We can't do that. We can't do that. We have not been given the ability to cause it in us. We can be vessels. Mamas can be vessels that can take a seed implanted. The baby will grow, but I cannot cause that growth. It is no different in the Spirit. Amen. God causes the growth. You are not in the flesh, but you are in the Spirit. There is nothing in the flesh. There is nothing in the law. There is no good thing that can save us. Amen.

Indeed, the Spirit of God dwells in us. Again, think on it. The Spirit of the Living God dwells in us. The Spirit of the Living God dwells in us. The Spirit of the Living God dwells in us. This is God's Holy Spirit. He dwells in us. If you have confessed Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and repented of your sins, the Spirit of God lives in us. Now, if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, He is not His. That is scares the huey out of me. You know what I am trying to say? You know what huey is? That is a sanctified word, okay? I am just saying, right? If God did not have mercy on my soul, where would I be? If anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, the Anointed One and His anointing, they are not His. That is a very frightening truth. I don't want to be without it ever.

All through the Old Testament, the believers, the patriarchs, the men and women of God, walked with God. Yet, the Spirit of God was not in them. What faith He gave them. He is a covenant keeping God. He says, "This is my covenant, this is my word, and this is my promise. I have created you to walk with me, know me, abide with me, and inherit everything that I have planned and destined to do here in this dirt I am going to put you on, amen."

Once the New Testament comes, Christ in the New Covenant says, "I am going to go deeper. I am going to put my Spirit in you. I am not going to just walk with you, I am not going to just be your friend. I am going to live in you, and we are going to be one," amen. If Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin. We know that the body is going to die. It is still dead, because of sin. You understand this? That is why the body will still have to die. Yes, go to sleep. Truth. Our bodies are getting older, getting a little grayer, and getting a little wiser. Alright, the bodies are decaying. You understand this? You have to see the facts and evidence. Unless you are caught up or unless you are raptured. That is the truth. If Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life. The Spirit is life because of righteousness. Whose righteousness? Jesus Christ's righteousness. But, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. Christ is our righteousness. We have been made right with God through Christ Jesus and His atoning work.

Verse 11, *"If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, what do you think is going to happen to our mortal bodies? Yes, you have to think on this, especially on your lowest day, your most exhausted day, and when your heart is broken. You don't think you can go on. You have had enough and it is over. Yes, when you have done all that you can do. You stand and you think, "Wait a minute, the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in me." Now, that's important. That is vital to know that the Spirit quickens. Truth, and "He who raised Christ from the dead, will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you."* That is miraculous. It is not even an external work where we are just walking around like dead zombies, and all of a sudden the Spirit of the living God comes on you and says, "Live." No, we are already alive in Christ Jesus. We are not dead zombies. We are not robots. We are not machines. We are living, breathing vessels of honor. We have the words of life. We have the Spirit of life in us. Praise the Lord for resurrection.

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Praise the Lord for resurrection power that God doesn't want us to wait till our deathbed to get a hold of that power. He wants us to know resurrection power. That is why Jesus raised the dead on the planet. That is why He commissioned His disciples to raise the dead. When they raised them, you know that eventually they died again. Do you understand this? Unless they were caught up, you know, they did see death. That is what this scripture is alluding to. But, the resurrection power of the Holy Ghost is in us, and He will never leave us, fail us or forsake us. This is a mighty work. This wakes you up. We are found in Him. You understand? We are found in Him. We are found in Him, and this is the gospel. He has chosen us. The Spirit quickens. Christ in me. Say, "Christ in me." It makes you thankful to know, "I have the Spirit of Christ." Yes, "I am One with Him." If that is all that we knew, that is enough.

Matthew 13:10-17 NKJV

This is loaded with revelation on how the Spirit quickens. Jesus, while on the Earth, is speaking and laboring and bringing the mysteries of the Kingdom of God. *"To those who have ear to hear, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches."* Jesus Christ, on the Earth, gave exactly everything the Father told Him to give and speak and do. He spoke in parables. He spoke in mysteries. But, those that were awakened or quickened by the Spirit began to understand. He pulled aside a few of them and says, *"I will show you what this means."* That is where you are right now. He has pulled you to Himself to give you the mystery of the Kingdom of God. He has put His Spirit in us.

Verse 12, *"For whoever has, to him more will be given, and he will have an abundance."* That is where we are. *"For whoever has, to him more will be given, and he will have an abundance."* That is God. That is the Kingdom of God. That is the Kingdom of Heaven. He is prosperous. He is always growing. He is always working. Remember, it is God who causes the growth. He has chosen to create the Heavens and the Earth. He has chosen to manifest Himself to those that He planted on the Earth to this day. He has chosen you. He has chosen me. He has chosen to put His Spirit in us. He has chosen to teach us. He says, *"I have given you Myself. There is more and more and more and more revelation of who I am. Whoever has, to him more will be given."* That is why we have always said, "There is more." There is more, because you are thinking, "Oh God, I could be satisfied with just being saved and going to Heaven and not being damned to hell, right? I could be satisfied." But, it is the Spirit who quickens you to His words. *"Whoever has, more will be given and he will have abundance."* That is the Spirit's work, still obeying the words of Jesus. You say, "Well, I wasn't there in this parable teaching," but here you are. Here we are. He is always growing us and giving revelation. He gives us an abundance, overflowing and a cup overflowing. I think that's in Psalm 23, right? Your cup overflows, and He anoints my head with oil. It is a continuous growth spurt. Say, "I am growing up." It is very obvious.

"But whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him." That is frightening. That is sobering, and it also makes you really respect and fear the Lord in all that God has entrusted to you. You know, *"Every good and perfect gift comes from the Father above."* What we have, we have because of God. Who we know is because of God. I am just saying how blessed you are, even if you just got born again yesterday or this morning. You have already inherited the Kingdom and the right and privilege to know Him, and for Him to be your God. He said, in grief, I know, in verse 15, *"The hearts of this people, those that He was speaking to, for the hearts of this people have grown dull."* He didn't say, the ears, did He? He said, *"The hearts of this people."* There is the slumber. There is the stupor in the hearts, because *"We believe in our heart and confess with our mouth Jesus as Lord, and we are saved,"* correct?

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We were once asleep and the Spirit of God woke us up. The Spirit quickened and (gasp) our heart received and believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, and we were born again from above. But, the hearts of the people can grow dull. Ears are hard of hearing. Eyes have been closed. That is completely shut off. That is a hard heart, a dull heart, a snoozing heart, and one without hope or purpose. That is why, when you are awakened to God, we have eternal purpose. We have an eternal purpose. It is for here and now in this life.

Beloved, *"He knows the plans that He has for us, to give us a future and a hope."* Not just a future on Earth, but an eternal future. When you go there, you say, "ohhh," He kind of loses you. You are just trying to keep up with now, right? *"Eye has not seen, ear has not heard."* It has not entered into the comprehension of your mind, what God has planned for those who love Him and are in Him. The fact that He will even use us and wants us in His kingdom eternally is amazing. Why would He want us? Because He adores us and loves us and He has called us His own. Yes, He has an eternal will and eternal spirit.

So, on this Earth, God is addressing the spirit of stupor and slumber that can happen where His peoples have grown hard hearted. Their hearts are dulled, slumbering, sleeping, a bit hard, and giving up. No matter why, somehow that stupor comes over the heart. God is awakening the heart, yes. He opens our ears, and our eyes see. I love this. He was laboring with, *"if only these had believed and heard, then I would have healed them."* That is the end of this. When the Spirit quickens, it is to heal you. When the Spirit is quickening, it is to heal you. It is to bring you back to the Father. It is to raise you from the dead, literally correct? When the Spirit quickens, it is to heal you. That is Him talking, *"So that I should heal them, to as many as are appointed eternal life."* I believe He knows those who are His. What grace, "I have been saved. My God, what grace! It makes us so grateful. I want to be a grateful servant of the Lord.

I don't want to grumble, gripe and complain. I want to be grateful. I want to be thankful even on my worst day. Because, even my worst day is not as deep and dark as hell. Even the most evil atrocities on this Earth are still not hell with eternal separation and no chance to repent. That is the evil destiny, you understand. He gives every heart an opportunity to choose today, while it is called today. Listen, you hear it? But, *"blessed are your eyes for they see."* That is what He is telling us. *"Blessed are your eyes because they see. Blessed are your ears because they are hearing. I say to you, many prophets and righteous men desire to see what you see."* That is your Bible. Your Bible is the testimony, from Genesis through the end. It is hard to think that you could just go down the list, through all the books of the Old Testament, all the way until you step in and you see Mary and Joseph. Oh, my God, this great salvation has come! *"How blessed are your eyes, for you see."* He is still speaking. *"Blessed are your ears, for they hear."*

"Assuredly I say to you, many prophets and righteous desire to see what you see." We say, "If I had just been... Deborah, or Miriam, or Moses, or Isaiah, or Samson, or some mighty prophet. He says, no, "I have called you by name, and I have chosen to put My Spirit in you." The patriarchs and the saints of old are in wonder in Heaven at the grace of God on this Earth, to see saints just like them. People just like them, called and chosen. Most of them say, "who am I, Lord?" Mary said, "Lord, how can this be? Hey, what is impossible for me is possible with God." Here you go, stepping into a Kingdom purpose and getting the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven. You find yourself in the river of life, because the Spirit is quickening you.

But in the journey, hearts and minds can get tired. Hearts can become dull and He speaks to quicken us. I am going to send these notes out to the entire body for you to please go there and look at yourself. What is the most important thing we need? What is the most important thing that we need to know? What is the most important thing in our lives? Well, probably for every christian it is our Savior, Jesus Christ. What is the most important thing we need? What is

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the most important thing that we need to know? What is the most important thing in our lives? Jesus Christ, say, "Jesus Christ." He is all I need. He is not a thing, "He is." He is. That is a big statement. He is. "I am, that I am." He is. The most important thing in life is to be born again. Fear God, amen. The fear of the Lord leads you to Christ. Thank the Lord for that. His grace and goodness has allowed us and empowered us to actually repent and believe in the gospel. What grace! You might have heard the gospel for several years before you finally repent. You may have known about it, and say, "I am not ready, because I am not ready to give up my life yet and be His." That is really the story. He draws you. He moves you. "I will think about it, but not today." Many, many of us went through this. Then finally, one day there was so much grace available, so much love and mercy, so much light as the Spirit quickened, you were born again.

Yes, you were born again from above. That is truth. This is the work of the Kingdom. In reality, our number one and most important thing is to know Jesus Christ. You know when you talk to believers or unbelievers alike, if you talk about Jesus Christ, and want to know who He is, they will talk about something else other than Him. Truth, because, as they sang this morning, "You are afraid of that intimacy." It is an intimate thing to know Jesus Christ. I know Jesus. "Are you a believer? Yes, I go to the Garden Gathering church." No, are you a believer? Yes, "Jesus is Lord." Say, "Jesus is my Lord and Savior." You understand, "Jesus is the love of my life." It looks like this. You are involved in a connected alignment in His Church, correct? That is my number one passion, to know Jesus Christ.

If you think you know Him, there is more. Say, "There is more." He has chosen to give us an abundance. "*Whoever has to him, more will be given, and he will have abundance.*" It is not like you are getting multiples of Jesus's in you. You are getting revelations of Jesus every day. My God, this is personal. It is intimate. It is beautiful. It is to know Him. Without Him, we are nothing, correct? I know nothing. I have no hope in this world. I am lost in every aspect of that word. It doesn't end just when you get saved, and then that is over. It has just begun. Remember the great hymn, "Amazing Grace." This part is this, "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I am found. I was blind, but now I see." The Spirit asked, "What does it really mean to be found?" I didn't know I was lost and God found me. Is it over? No, say, "Thank you, Jesus." As you freely receive, you freely give, all the days of your life. As long as you are here, you are that living witness.

Philippians 3:7-8 NKJV

This is the apostle Paul. That is knowing Him. "*I count everything as loss,*" the good, the bad and the ugly. I do this, "*for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus.*" Not just to know about Him, or not just to know about the family member that knows Him, that you always call for prayer, right? "*But, to know of the knowledge of Christ Jesus, my Lord. The excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus, my Lord,*" and the things He knows. You don't just get Jesus, as in, "I know Jesus." You get revelation of what Jesus Christ knows, who He knows, what He knows, how He knows, how He hears, how He sees, and how He feels. You step into something great. That is why it is like everything else becomes just, "whatever," to you. It is all about the "excellent thing," the most thing, the highest thing to know and to receive, "the knowledge of Christ, my Lord." Verse 8b-9, "*For whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and I count them all but rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness that comes from God by faith.*"

The moment I believed, I was made right with God. I received Christ's righteousness right there. Not by works, not by the works of the law, for no one can keep it perfectly.

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I was talking to someone earlier, about the Spirit. Jesus had the audacity to say, *"Be perfect as My heavenly Father is perfect."* Oh, God, are you serious? Right? He tells these born again ones, it hasn't stopped. *"Be perfect."* Because, it is automatic, this is what humans do whenever they get caught in sin, or wrongdoing, or they made a mistake, they say, "Well, I am not perfect." Usually, it is said with a little smug attitude or in a defensive attitude. That is how you get out of, "you made a mistake." Saying, "Well, I am not perfect." Jesus says, *"Be perfect as My heavenly Father is perfect."* Something is deeper here. Something is higher here. Because the Spirit is quickening. Who made us perfect with God? His righteousness has made us perfect. Yes, wow and I believe it, and then I am being perfected. Say, "I am being perfected every day." Thank the Lord.

Verse 10, *"That I may know Him."* He wants us to gain Christ and be found in Him. *"That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection."* Everything I am talking about. *"I want to know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings."* I would rather He leave that out, but here we are as humans on the planet. We are His body, and His body is still being persecuted, martyred, abused, and rejected as outcasts. It is the fellowship of His sufferings in a fallen world. But, *"we are being conformed to His death."* We are being conformed to His death so that He can raise us, beloved. Say, "There is a brand new day coming." Who asks for that? Somebody who knows Christ and is being perfected by the Spirit of God to give revelation knowledge. "This is why I am living as I write this in jail. This is why I am living and why I am writing these letters to the church, today while it is called today. It is the day of salvation, and this is my hope for you, *"if by any means I may attain to the resurrection from the dead."*

Verse 12, *"Not that I have already attained or am already perfected, but I am pressing on."* We are pressing on. *"That I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has laid hold of me."* We are laying hold of Christ. We are laying hold of His purpose. We are laying hold of the Holy Ghost. We are laying hold and we are being perfected beloved. Not to sleep and slumber, as some do, but to be quickened by the Spirit of God. To live in His resurrection life now, because He is alive. He is raised from the dead. To live with Him now, on the Earth, even while our mortal bodies are dead, dying and will one day be quickened and raised just like Christ. He makes all things new. This is that journey of love. Isn't it amazing? *"But, we press on to lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has laid hold of me."*

Verse 13, *"Brethren, I don't count myself to have apprehended. But one thing I do, I forget those things which are behind, and I reach forward to those things which are ahead, and I press towards the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."* There is no stupor or slumber there. That is the life. That is the Spirit quickening. I am sure all he wanted to do was get out of that jail, so he could go do his work. But, he was writing these letters that are still bearing fruit, because God causes the growth. These are words from the Holy Ghost, working with a man to this day, and the believers in this day to the very end, whenever that is. Believers are laying hold of this testimony. These words of life are reviving us and resurrecting us and giving us hope and purpose and courage and healing. Yes, Jesus's words are healing us. We have ears to hear and eyes to see what the Spirit is saying. Thank God. I know He is speaking to us 24/7. Really, we just don't always recognize it yet.

Philippians 3:8-11 AMPC

"Yes, furthermore, I count everything as lost compared to the possession of the priceless privilege, the overwhelming preciousness, the surpassing worth and supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus, my Lord, and of progressively becoming more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding Him more fully and clearly."

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For His sake, I have lost everything, and I consider it all to just be rubbish, refuge and dregs in order that I may win and gain Christ, the Anointed One. And that I may actually be found and known as in Him, not having any self-achieved righteousness that can be called my own, based on my obedience to the law's demands and ritualistic uprightness and supposed right standing with God thus acquired, but possessing that genuine righteousness that comes through faith in Christ, truly being in right standing with God, which does come from God by saving faith. For my determined purposes, that I may know Him, that I may progressively and become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing, understanding the wonders of His person, more strongly and more clearly, that I may in the same way, come to know the power out flowing from His resurrection, which He exerts over believers, that I may share in His sufferings as to be continually transformed in spirit into His likeness, even in His death and in the hope. That if possible I may attain to the spiritual and moral resurrection that lifts me out from among the dead, even while I am in my body."

There is a physical resurrection coming, but there is constant resurrection life happening in us. We are laying hold of the spiritual and moral resurrection that lifts me up from the dead. Yes, He is the one that will raise us up in the end. Yes, but it is an awakening. The Spirit has said to our spirit, "Live," and He quickens you. He calls you to Himself for more, because there is an overflowing abundance and increase to those who have been granted to know the mystery of God. It is all about Him. What a work and wonder. We have no idea. But, this one thing, this one thing I know. I have to know Him. I am known by Him. I know Him because I am known by Him. Correct, I am found in Him. Correct? You must be born again. That is all we need. You know, as soon as we are born again, everything changes. That is why He says, "*You must be born again.*" Just going to church will not save you. "*You must be born again,*" so the Spirit of God can live in us. Wow. Whatever the need, He is the One. I have been found. I have been found in Him. I am found in Him. I want to know that I am found in Him.

Philippians 4:19 NKJV

That is not just money. That is not just your daily bread, your job and your health. This is powerful. "*My God shall supply.*" Our God has supplied life abundantly to us. Our God has supplied riches and glory through Christ. It is the glory of God. It is the glory of God. "Oh, my God, it is the glory of God. I have been awakened. I have been quickened to know and receive the glory of God. God chooses to supply all my need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Yes, obviously, "*If I give, it is going to be given back to me. What a man sows that shall he reap.*" It is a principle. It is a law. Yes, if I am a giver, "*it will be given back to me, pressed down, shaken together, and running over into my lap.*" He said, 30, 60, and 100 fold. I want a hundredfold. That is not even the top of the glory of God, the riches in God, in Christ. I am found in Him. You hear it? "I am found in Him." Who do you know? "Jesus Christ is Lord."

When you are dealing with someone that's a bit troubled and it is hard to get through to them, just cut to the chase and say, "Is Jesus Christ your Lord and Savior, and do you worship and serve Him only? Answer me now, in Jesus' name." Someone's going to have to speak up, because if there are spirits, they are going to say, "no," or something else. Because, a born again from above one is going to say, "Yes, Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior," even if they abound in trouble. No one calls Jesus, Lord except by the giving of grace by God. But, it is a ministry of the Spirit. It is good to not just tell them where you go to church. It is just a reality of I am hosting Him. "I am found in God, in Christ. Are you?" Whatever problems or dysfunctions, or fears, or anxiety or stress and worries and lack, He is the One! What is it? Are there problems you have? What are you wrestling with? Dysfunctions like fears, anxiety, stress, worries, lack. He is the One. He is the One. That is why Paul says, "I want to be found in Him. I want to be found in Him, because He has the answer to it all." Nothing else satisfies.

Deuteronomy 31:6 NKJV

I love this. *“Be strong and of good courage.”* You know that is a gift, but you get to choose it. You get to agree with it. You say, “God says, “I am strong,” and you are shaking in your boots. You say, “I am strong,” when you are intimidated. You say, “I have courage.” That is how you stand in the face of this. Yes, “I will not be afraid, the Lord, my God, He is the One. I long to be found in Him.” That is all that is going to matter in the end. Everything else does not matter. Face to face, are you in me or not? Do you know me? Or do you just know about Me? Just to know about Him will not cut it. Yes, go on beyond that veil, through the blood, and it is that lordship. Yes, many people struggle with this. Holy Ghost, revelation, and knowing Jesus Christ, our Lord. That is all we want. Yes, I know somebody. Who do you know? Do you know Him? To know Him is to love Him and receive the love that He has for us.

Ephesians 5:14 NKJV

Even if you are in the spirit of slumber, and even if you are in a weird place with God right now. He says, *“Awake, you who sleep.”* Awake, you know the truth. *“Awake you who sleep.”* Awake, you who have been heavily burdened and downcast. *“Arise from the dead and Christ will give you light.”* Christ will give you light.

Ephesians 5:15-17 AMPC

“Look carefully, then how you walk, live purposely and worthily and accurately, not as the unwise and witless, but as wise, sensible, intelligent people. Making the very most of your time, buying up each opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be vague and thoughtless and foolish, but understanding and firmly grasping what the will of the Lord is.” That is powerful. *“Look carefully then how you walk.”* This is where you get to go there with God. Saying, “Alright Lord, let’s talk.” *“Live purposefully, worthily and accurately.”* I love those details. *“Walk worthy of the calling for which you have been called.”* Yes, live purposely. Wow.

There was a Bible study that came out years and years ago. It was a big new book I was studying about purpose. “The Purpose Driven Life.” Why does somebody get to write those things? Because, the Spirit of God is saying, “Wake up My Church.” *“Look carefully how you are walking.”* Live purposefully. Say, “I have purpose.” *“Live purposely and worthily and accurately.”* Wow, *“Not as unwise and witless, but as wise, sensible, intelligent people. Making the most of your time.”* You know, just *“make the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.”* This was written, how long ago? Nothing is new under the sun. Yes, evil is still evil. *“Understand and firmly grasp what the will of the Lord is.”* That is not stupor. That is not slumber. That is awake and alert. Say, “This requires focus.”

This is Jesus talking before He went to the cross. Just understand the depth and importance of these words. It really applies to us still, because we are not with Him in person yet.

John 14:15-17 AMPC

“If you really love Me, you will keep and obey my commands. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener and Standby, that He may remain with you forever. The Spirit of Truth, Whom the world cannot receive, welcome or take to its heart, because it does not see Him or know and recognize Him.” Slumber, yes, for those who are still sleeping. *“But, you know and you recognize Him, for He lives with you constantly, and will be in you.”* Goal, God will be in you, because at that point He wasn't in them, correct?

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Verse 18, *"I will not leave you as orphans, comfortless, desolate, bereaved, forlorn and helpless. I will come back to you."* And oh, He did.

Verse 19, *"Just a little while now, and the world will not see Me anymore, but you will see Me, and because I live, you will live also. At that time, when that day comes,"* here it is, *"you will know for yourselves that I am in My Father, and you are in Me, and I am in you."*

There it is and therein lies the Shekinah glory of God. *"In that time, when that day comes, you will know for yourselves that I am in My Father, and you are in Me, and I am in you."*

That revelation starts now. You invite the Shekinah glory into this place of revelation. Now, I know for myself that, *"Jesus is in the Father, and I am in Jesus, and He is in me."* Right there is that unity. There is that oneness. That is the revelation. That is why you see Him pouring out His heart in John 17. Read it on your own. *"I am in you and you are in Me, and we are in them, Lord. Oh, that they would know the glory. I am in you, and you are in Me and we are in them, Lord."* Right there, there is that intimacy, because the Spirit quickens. This, Beloved of God, is where the glory of the Lord is.

Verse 21, *"The person who has My commands and keeps them, they are the ones that really love me."* The proof is in this, *"The person who has My commands and keeps them is the one who really loves me."* Those who hear My commands and keeps and obeys them. Who obeys His word? Those who really love me. *"Whoever really loves me will be loved by My Father, and I, too, will love Him, and will show, reveal, manifest Myself to Him. And I will let Myself be clearly seen by Him and make Myself real to Him."* That is the manifestation of Jesus Christ, and it is daily bread for us. It is life in the Spirit, knowing I need to be found in Him. Yes, and wherever we are hard, or sleeping, or we are not getting it, we are all growing. But, His words are life. If He would have said, "Now, this is truth but, but I am not going to let you get revelation of it until you are 95, if you make it there, good luck, right?" "No no, the moment you are born again from above, you born again. The moment, the second the Spirit quickens you to revelation knowledge of Jesus Christ. Don't limit God. Don't say, "Oh, but I don't." "Oh, but I only have... Oh, I am nobody." Hear what the Spirit is saying. You know and you surrender those hearts.

We don't want to be dull in heart. We want to be quickened. If somebody had a heart attack right now, somebody is going to jump on them and try to hit that heart first. Correct? You have to hit the heart, because that is the center of it all. Yes, the heart where the blood flow comes from. Not their brain, foot or finger. You go for the heart, because that's where the Spirit of God dwells. That is where He quickens, amen.

Stand up and honor what He is saying. He is so good to us. If you need prayer, we'll pray for you. He is Lord. "Father, we thank you. Thank you, from start to finish today, for the glory of the Lord in our midst. We absolutely adore you, and we are so grateful. I know, Father, that everybody that hears these words will receive it. They will be healed. They will be healed. They will be healed by You, Jesus. Because the heart has come alive, it is responding. The ears are hearing, the eyes are seeing, and you will heal them. I know it, Jesus, I know it. We receive revelation knowledge from glory to glory. That I am in you and you are in me, and we are in the Father. Where you are, there we are. We desire you, Lord. We desire your glory and your presence. Come, Lord Jesus, come. In Jesus' name, amen. Amen. God bless you all.