

First Light Herald

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Bedrock or Quick Sand?

Another title might be more effective, but it also might offend; *Wise or Foolish*? Don't be mad at me the Lord himself said he likened those who heard his word and didn't DO it to foolish men. It's easy to "mentally assent" to God's word, but not so easy to DO it. When you actually believe God's word or voice you act on it. Abraham was given his new name by God, but he could just as easily have called himself, "Abram" and have never seen the fruition of the promise of God. He called those things which be not as though they were. Now mind you, he did so in line with God's will and promises. He could have confessed he was a giraffe for his entire life and never have become one.

The adversary is constantly trying to convince us that he is god. He has all sorts of lying signs and "wonders", but in the end IF we stand on what God has said the lies will fade like so much smoke. I call the works of the adversary, "smoke and mirrors". He is all about illusion or focus on natural things. He would have us eat from the tree of knowledge for every meal, but just as it killed Adam when he ate it so it is killing men and women who partake of it.

It's time to lift up our "households of faith" and put back the foundations that we've pulled out or actually never put in. Maybe we need to find a new lot, dig until we find the bedrock of God's word, then consider starting over and building a new house on a new foundation? It's called recommitting yourself to the Lord or to the "logos" of God's word. How many of us have let things slip in our walk of faith? Faith comes by hearing. (ING means it keeps happening.) Hearing comes by the word of God. You can't hear the voice of God if you don't know the word of God. That is such a multilayered revelation. You should camp out on those last couple sentences. I know I'm chewing them for myself even now.

My soul doesn't like the storms of life, but faith is built in storms. Faith that is built on the word of God. The storms only take out houses NOT built on the word of God. Hear, hear, hear and then observe how to do and then DO what you've heard! The storm can't touch you if you DO!



Special points of interest:

- Have you taken the word of the Lord for granted?
- Have you forgotten the Father?
- Have you allowed yourself to get so busy with what seems important that you miss the "real thing". No not a cola, but the real issues of life?
- Stop right where you are.
- Yes you!
- Stop and just get quiet.
- Can you hear that?
- No? Then just stop what you're doing and pray in the spirit until your soul is still. Now listen. Do you hear Him? There He's talking.
- *"I love you! I'm here for you and I'll be with you and for you! Here is a hug."*

Tick Tock, Tick Tock...



If you're like just about every person on the planet you are probably feeling rushed. Even as you read this article you're being tempted to do about a thousand other things at the same time. Multi-tasking is a popular definition of having too much to do in too small a space of time.

Priorities. They are the most vital things on my list of "to dos". Establishing my priorities has become one of my greatest goals. If I do what God wants of me, all the rest will follow. If I fall for the "bum's rush" (that's the devil hastening you through life) I can be assured I won't finish the important things of life.

Exodus 5:13 And the taskmasters (Egyptian slave drivers) hasted them, saying, Fulfill your works, your daily tasks, as when there was straw.

Here we see the Israelites in bondage to taskmasters. They drive them on and take away the tools to do the work. Have you ever felt like you're in this scenario? Driven without the necessary things to do a given task, say for instance time?

Matthew 6:33-34 are a couple of my favorite verses. I really like reading all around them, but I'll leave that to you. In them Yeshua/Jesus gives clear instructions how to receive all the things the world desires without all the hustle, bustle and chaos that the world has! Now I'm not going to tell you any more. I know you're wanting me to lay it all down for you, but you need revelation. You need fresh manna from God and not predigested food regurgitated out to you. I exhort you, no I dare you to meditate on Matthew 6. If you will make it a part of you by reading and speaking it out loud to yourselves on a constant basis, it will become fleshed out in your lives BECAUSE you will see just how to do it!

In times like today when we're rushed, driven, frightened into living the life of the world we can actually slow down, set some priorities, do things God's ways and prosper! I hope you'll take the time for yourselves and do what the Lord spoke! Bon appetit!

We are praying for you and presenting you to the Father!

News From The Nile



I listen to people freaking out about bad news almost everyday. For a while I was listening and getting as freaked out myself, but as I really set my thoughts on the Father and what He was saying I realized listening to the news the world pumps at us would be like the Israelites listening to the broadcasts of the day coming out of Egypt when they were in Goshen. I could just hear the reports of those days:

EXTRA EXTRA READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!

It's really dark outside and it's getting darker. This reporter couldn't even see his hand in front of his face this morning. I am just not sure what we're going to do about the mess we're in. Our fearless leader seems less and less capable and is downright defiant in the face of all the horror that we're suffering. First that wild Hebrew man turned the water into blood. Our religious leaders were able to do as much demonstrating just how awesome we are unified in Egypt. Next the frogs came and our magicians kept pace, frog for frog. Now the lice were just plain irritating (as you all well know). Strangely enough none of the lice came

near the camps of slaves in Goshen? When all our animals died and none of the slaves animals died we were all concerned. The boils on our bodies were just plain unbearable, but our illustrious leader seemed unscathed. We had never seen such hail in all of history. Why are those slaves free from all of these blasted curses? It just seems to get worse and worse! Has anyone seen locusts like the swarms that followed. We need to do something about it! It's really bad folks. It's getting worse with each progressive plague. The leader of the Hebrew slaves (We in Egypt have been forbidden to mention his name.) has said it's going to be dark for three long days. How are we supposed to work under such conditions. It's so dark I don't even know if things are bad for the slaves. What could be next? It's bad and it's getting worse. Our country is in bad shape and it's only going to get worse if we don't do something quickly. Achmed the reporter.



How silly is it for us to listen to the national news? Whose report will we believe? We shall believe the report of the LORD!

Dead Right or Dead Wrong



I want to encourage all of you in the face of apparent chaos and turmoil. There are plenty of gloom and doom preachers. There are loads of fear and failure prognosticators, but when things are at their very worst we are still more than overcomers in Christ Jesus.

This month I am led to draw pictures that are so obvious you who take the time to actually read this newsletter will NOT be able to miss what the Spirit is saying to the Body of Messiah.

If we were all to die this very moment we win! Why? We win because we are in Christ Jesus. To be absent from the body (human) is to be present with the Father. Ok, so being dead isn't our goal, but if you look at the worst natural outcome of the worst possible scenario everything else seems insignificant. Now I am going to really press our relationship, our friendship, our trust. You are supposed to be dead now! No, not dead IN your flesh but dead TO your flesh. Your soul is constantly fighting with you. It likes being in charge rather than allow the eternal you, the hidden man (or woman) of the heart to have control.

We who are in the Lord are living spirits. Our souls are supposed to be in submission to us. We are spirit, we have souls and we live in bodies. Our souls and flesh are supposed to be subject to our spirits.

The apostle Peter said something very significant that helps us see the truth. Before we explore Peter's words we must believe we are spirit. We are made in the likeness and image of God. God is spirit, soul and body. We have the Holy Spirit, the Father and Yeshua/Jesus who is the Head of the Body. If you don't allow this to truth to renew your mind (soul) you'll end up listening to your soul and put yourself in the same place that Adam found himself AFTER he sold the human race to the adversary. We are supposed to allow the mind of Christ to be our mind. That means we are subject to the word and believe IT over anything our heads tell us.

Today most people eat totally from the tree of knowledge rather than the tree of life. Even within those who call themselves Christian we see this practice. That tree incorporates what we see, hear, feel, taste and smell. The tree of life or the spirit of life in Christ Jesus is still available, but grossly ignored. We should NOT read our bibles and hear the voice of God and ignore what we are hearing. We should hear to do what the Spirit is

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saying to us. When our souls take the superior position we will not succeed because God designed us to release faith to overcome the world's situations. Faith is from the spirit and not from the mind. God doesn't expect or even want us to "figure out" our problems. He has all the answers we need. These answers are all available to us in knowing the Lord.

*2 Peter 1:2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you **through the knowledge of God**, and of Jesus our Lord, 3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, **through the knowledge of him** that hath called us to glory and virtue: 4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

You may have read these words before, but don't skim over them. Just as your body needs to eat over and over your spirit needs fed on a regular and consistent basis. You feed yourself or the spirit by hearing and hearing the voice of God. His words (written and spoken) are manna to the spirit man. Faith comes by hearing, not from having heard. You wouldn't quit eating your favorite foods just because you've eaten them before so don't look at rehearing or rereading the word of God as repetitive or unnecessary. You aren't going to get more revelation without consuming the manna from heaven. If His word is the same yesterday, today and forever we need to know that He isn't going to consult or have us consult the world for our answers.

*1 Peter 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being **dead** to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.*

Being dead to sin means we are dead to answering our own problems. Sin is the soul seeking to be its own god. The first sin was man making himself god in his own life. If we are truly trusting the Lord for our answers we aren't struggling for answers. We know that he has provided EVERYTHING that pertains to life and godliness through the knowledge of God and of our Lord Jesus. By keeping our souls in check and feeding our spirits we remain dead to the sin of self preservation and provision.

If we see ourselves dead in Christ we show that we trust God for everything BECAUSE He took care of the Lord's every need. You never have reference to Jesus saying, "The devil made me sick" or "The government is really making a mess of things" or "These taxes are way too high". He (led of God) removed sickness, he recognized the government in charge at the time and paid his taxes by doing a favorite thing, he went fishing. Actually he asked his disciple to go fishing and in so doing both their taxes were paid!

If we remain in constant communion with God HE has our answers and will direct us by His precious Holy Spirit.

*Philippians 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7 **But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant**, and was made in the likeness of men: 8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.*

Luke 9: 23 And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

Rest in these words. Follow him. He is our answer.

Psalms 34

A Psalm of David, when he changed his behaviour before Abimelech, who drove him away, and he departed.



- 1 I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
 - 2 My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
 - 3 O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.
 - 4 I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.
 - 5 They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.
 - 6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.
 - 7 The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.
 - 8 O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
 - 9 O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him.
 - 10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.
 - 11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
 - 12 What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good?
 - 13 Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.
 - 14 Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.
 - 15 The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.
 - 16 The face of the LORD is against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.
 - 17 The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
 - 18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.
 - 19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.
 - 20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.
 - 21 Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.
 - 22 The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.
- Be filled with the Holy Spirit speaking to yourselves in Psalms and hymns. This is a goody and one of my favorites.

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Sharing the Tree of Life
 with you.

Jeff & Cerise's May 2010 Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sabbath
God said, "light be"	God made heaven.	God made the earth.	God made the sun, moon and stars.	God made the animals.	God made man.	1 God rested!
2	3	4	5 Gardendale Meeting 7PM	6 Russian Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM	7 Hobbs Meeting 6:00 PM	8 Roswell Meeting 2-4PM
9	10	11	12 Gardendale Meeting 7PM	13 Russian Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM	14	15
16	17	18	19 Gardendale Meeting 7PM	20 Hobbs Meeting 6:00PM	21	22 Russian Ladies Bible study 1:30PM
23	24	25	26 Gardendale Meeting 7PM	27 Russian Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM	28	29
30	31	God is with us in trouble.	God is love.	God is light.	God is truth.	God can NOT lie!