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Go and make disciples!

E-votional 36

It's Possible

1 Samuel 2:35

Then I will raise up for Myself a faithful priest. He will do whatever is in My heart and mind. And I will build for him an enduring house, and he will walk before My anointed one for all time.

He will do whatever is in my heart and mind.

Praise the Lord! Do you believe that it is possible to be a faithful servant of God? That is one who will do whatever is in the heart and mind of the Lord.

I for one totally believe this. However, if it were up to me to accomplish this I would only come short of God's glory every time. In saying that I totally believe this, I am in fact referencing God's power alone to accomplish this. If it wasn't possible God would not have said this. I wonder, however, if this was true before the new covenant, then, haven't we been afforded something greater than that? I am referring to what was said in 1 Peter 1:12

It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.

Praise God! Things which angels long to look. I have to believe that this is a reference to the great salvation afforded to us by the blood of Jesus Christ. Hallelujah Jesus!

Therefore, I am confident that through faith in the finished work of the cross, we can be more than conquerors in this very life and over the sin nature. This idea does not remove the reality of temptations that we will all have to endure and rise above until the day we reach glory. However, if we do give in to temptation it is not at the fault of God's great salvation through Jesus Christ. What we need then

is to equip ourselves with the very mind of Christ through faith to even realize the benefits of this great salvation to overcome sin and evil. Like I said earlier, I totally believe that this is possible. With God all things are possible. Along with this, I am also confident that we can actually know the heart and mind of God. Look at 1 Corinthians 2:16

“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

Praise the Lord, there it is. Let us then enter into this grace in which we stand with our hearts full of faith and assurance that we can be made new and be united as well as illuminated with the very heart and mind of God. With this renewed mind we can walk in all that God has promised this side of heaven until the day we are delivered from this body of death.

Of course, there are still times when we miss the mark and fall short but let us also remember that when we fall short, it is we who have fallen short and not God. Therefore, we can get back up by faith and keep marching on. In saying this, I would also like to point out that God’s salvation is perfect and the Spirit that He has made to dwell in us is always holy and always willing to work out that perfect salvation in us. We have only to believe.

The summation of this teaching is this. If it were up to us we would only remain in sin, but through Christ Jesus, we can have faith in the impossible and rise above in His strength over the power of sin and death and become faithful servants of His. Do you long for victory? Are you tired and thirsty from fighting your own sinful self? Simply trust in Jesus to demolish the strongholds in your life. He is more than enough to meet you where you are and to set you free. When I see how Jesus interacted with people in the Bible, I have never really seen Him just leave people only partially well or deal with people in part. He does a whole work in them. And as a reminder, He also often said things like, *“if you have faith and do not doubt”* (Matthew 21:21). Therefore, let it be according to our faith to hunger and thirst for more of Jesus so that He alone can do such a mighty work in our life and call us to the abundant life He has for us in faithfulness and truth. Yes, we will still grow more and more like Him over time until we die. However, we can always remain faithful to Him in the process by His power.

God is able. He will never fail, for He has done great things. Hallelujah Jesus!

O what a treasure we have in these jars of clay brothers and sisters. Have faith that the Lord who loves you will also cause you to enter into the secret place of the Most High by faith, in Jesus name. Amen.

Jude 24-25 (ESV),

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

In Christ's Love,
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