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The Appropriation of Deliverance From Carnality

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The appropriation of the deliverance from carnality is the life lived by faith. Hab. 2:4; Rom. 1:17; Gal. 3:11; - cf. vss. 2,5,7-9,14,22,26; Col. 2,6,7,12. Living by faith is counting on the present reality of the implications of Jesus' work in paying for sin, bringing you to death with Him, and raising you up in new creation unto a life inspired and directed by Him. Heb.11:1; Rom. 8:24,25; II Cor. 4:16-18; Col. 1:25-27; II Pet. 1:3,4; Eph. 1: 15-23; 2:6; 3:8,20,21.

How can we develop a deeper, more vital walk of faith?

A. Breaking up the fallow ground of your heart - Jer. 4:1-4; Hos. 10:12

- 1) Repentance from sin - Isa. 30:15. Repentance is always presented as the "first word of the Gospel invitation". Matt.3:2,8; 4:17; Mk. 6:7-12; Lk. 24:46,47; Acts 2;38. As believers, we are still called to repent and forsake sin. II Cor. 7:9-11; Rev. 2:18-22; 3:1-3,14-20.
- 2) The cultivation of the heart - casting off of encumbrances and weights. Heb. 12:1; I Cor. 6:12; 10:23,31; I Cor. 9:24-27; II Tim. 2:4.

B. Sowing to the Spirit - Gal. 6:7,8; Hos. 10:12; Jer. 4:3,4. How? By making use of *everything* God says is profitable for spiritual growth.

Scripture - II Tim. 3:14-17; Rom. 15:4; I Cor. 10:11; Psa. 119:130,133; Prov. 16:20.

Diligent study - II Tim. 2:15; Ez. 7:10; Prov. 2:1-4; Dt. 17:18-20.

Meditation - Psa. 1:1-3; Psa. 119:97; Josh. 1:7-9; Psa. 19:7-14.

Fellowship - Heb. 3:12,13; 10:24,25; Prov. 27:17; Prov. 13:20.

Prayer - Jas. 1:5-8; Eph. 1:15ff.; 3:14ff.; Phil. 1:9-11; I Thess. 3:11-13;
II Thess. 1:11,12; Mk. 1:35; Col. 4:2; Jas. 5:16.

Obedience - A very important principle that is often overlooked is the need to be obedient in the little things, before there will be righteousness in larger concerns. Lk. 16:10-13; Prov. 12:22; Ecc. 9:10; Acts 5:32; I Sam. 15:22,23; Col. 3:22-24.

Giving - II Cor. 9:10; Phil. 4:17; Mal. 3:10; Prov. 14:31; 17:5; 21:13; 22:9.

Trials - A faith-response is needed to make these fully profitable. Jas.1:2-4; Rom. 5:3-5; 8:28.

Serving - Jn. 13:12-17; I Pet. 4:10,11.

Submission - Eph. 5:18-21; I Pet. 5:5; Heb. 13:17.

Simplicity - Matt. 6:19-34; 13:22; 19:16-30; Lk. 21:34-36; Lk. 10:38-42.

Fasting - Matt. 6:16-19; 9:14,15; Acts 13:1-3.

Worship - Heb. 13:15,16; Rom. 12:1; Acts 13:1-3; Psalms; Jn. 4:20-24; I Chr. 16:7-36.

Principles of Sowing to the Spirit:

- 1) You *get* what you *plant*. Gal. 6:7,8; Hos. 8:7; Ezk. 7:3,4.
- 2) These are not “works” to make you spiritual. You cannot buy spirituality with money (Acts 8:18-24) or by self-effort (Jn. 6:63; Eph. 2:8,9). These spiritual disciplines are means of placing ourselves in humility and openness before God, so that He can work in us by His life-giving, transforming power (Jn. 6:63; I Cor. 3:6,7; Mk. 4:26-29). We *partner* with Him in our growth process by creating the proper atmosphere for growth to occur, but *only God* Himself can create the true life, growth, and spiritual maturity in us.
- 3) You reap according to the intensity of your planting. II Cor. 9:6; Prov. 11:24-27; 12:27; 19:16; Prov. 1:20-33; 2:1-4; II Tim. 2:3-6.

C. Hindrances to Appropriation.

- 1) Ignorance or misbelief - Rom. 6:3; 7:1; Hosea 4:6; Isa. 5:13; Matt. 22:29; Gal. 5:1-4; Col. 2:8-23.
- 2) Unbelief - Heb. 3:18-19; 4:1-2; Jas. 1:6-8.
- 3) Specific disobedience - I Jn. 1:5-7; Isa. 59:1,2; Psa. 66:18; Heb. 3:12-18; 4:6.
- 4) Bondages of sin - Rom. 6:16; Jn. 8:31-36; II Pet. 2:18-19; Amos 8:11-13; I Thess. 5:14 (Note: Sometimes we *cannot* do it ourselves.)
- 5) Complacency - Prov. 1:32; Zeph. 1:12; Rev. 3:14ff.
- 6) Fear - Heb. 2:14-15; Rom. 8:15; I Jn. 4:18; Gen. 3:4-10.
- 7) General unwillingness - II Cor. 6:12; Isa. 30:1-17; Phil. 2:12-13.
- 8) Self-effort - Col. 2:16-23.; Gal. 1-5.

Taking Stock

Where are you in your spiritual walk?

What hinders you from walking in the fullness of the Holy Spirit?

What can be done?