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# WHAT JUST HAPPENED?

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# Introduction



**F**irst, let me say welcome to God's family. Getting saved is the best decision you will ever make, destiny and purpose await you. My desire is to bring some understanding and clarity to you as your new life and lifestyle begin. Often people don't know what getting saved is all about, they also don't know what questions to ask. Hopefully the information provided here will offer useful insights into the options available to you as you seek understanding.

## **Introduction into the Kingdom**

That's right, you just entered the kingdom of God and I want to give you my version of what the kingdom of God is about. When you get saved or except Jesus as Lord and Savior you enter into the kingdom of God. I'm going to be sharing several topics on how to function in the kingdom, most of which will brush the surface. You will need to do some digging yourself to find the deeper meaning of these truths in the kingdom.

## **Hot and on Fire**

I've witnessed new believers who are "on fire for God,". They have excitement and a zeal about them and they encounter believers whose fire is down to a smoldering level. Why are they at a smoldering level; It might be that their experience in the kingdom of God may not be what they thought, or they still may not know

what the kingdom is about, or they're just not seeking, anymore. Whatever their reason; don't let them infect you with their ignorance or negative experiences, pouring water on your fire. Choose your associations carefully. Now that you're saved and on fire for God, use this momentum to keep yourself hungry. Seek God's word on TV, the Internet, reading the bible, finding the right church where you can plant yourself. Just because you got saved at one church, that does not mean it's the church you need to be planted in. You may need to visit several churches to find the right one. The church you go to can make all the difference in what you do or don't do for God in fulfilling your purpose.

## **First things First**

Joining the church and calling yourself a Christian is not the same as getting saved. Let me make it clear, just because your grandmother or your mother goes to church doesn't make you a Christian. God doesn't have grandkids he only has kids. You must make that choice for yourself by making a declaration like the following:

“Jesus, come into my life. Make me a child of God. I believe Jesus is the son of God, he was killed and rose again on the third day. He died for my sins, I repent of my sins and I'm now in the kingdom of God and I make you my Lord and Savior”.

This heartfelt declaration and acceptance of Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior confirms you are saved. Three key elements of being saved are: 1) Belief – Jesus is who is says; and He can save you. 2) Confession - repenting of your sins, asking Jesus for forgiveness,

and pledging yourself to God. 3) Repentance – you commit to change your thinking and actions. This process of changing your thinking is never ending, **if** you dive into seeking the word of God the transformation process begins.

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**Romans 12:2 (amp), <sup>2</sup>** *And do not be conformed to this world [any longer with its superficial values and customs], but be [c]transformed and progressively changed [as you mature spiritually] by the renewing of your mind [focusing on godly values and ethical attitudes], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His plan and purpose for you].*

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When you start to see and understand life from the kingdom's perspective, your actions and desires begin to line up with the kingdom. I've noticed that new believers may find it necessary to limit interactions with those who are not going where they are going. Old relationships often become stumbling blocks to your new lifestyle. The bible says it clearly.

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**2 Corinthians 6:17(amp)** *"So come out from among unbelievers and be separate," says the Lord, "And do not touch what is unclean; And I will graciously receive you and welcome you [with favor]*

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# Chapter 1

## Salvation: Your life has just changed



Understand; when you accepted Jesus as your Lord and Savior you didn't get “a get out of jail free card”. Getting saved is more than just fire insurance trying to escape hell. You can't treat Jesus like a prostitute, calling on Jesus whenever you feel like it. Jesus is not 911, using Him only when there's an emergency. Jesus is not a genie in a bottle. Accepting Jesus should be the realization that you're a sinner and you need a savior. The bible calls this “being reborn,” we call it “getting saved” or “born again.” What that means is reborn from above, spiritually transformed, renewed, and sanctified. This happens the moment you accept Jesus as Lord and Savior. What takes place after, is that you can now see the kingdom of God.

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**John 3:3-8 (amp)** <sup>3</sup> *Jesus answered him, "I assure you and most solemnly say to you, unless a person is born again [reborn from above—spiritually transformed, renewed, sanctified], he cannot [ever] see and experience the kingdom of God."*

*<sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter his mother's womb a second time and be born, can he?"*

*<sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, "I assure you and most solemnly say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot [ever] enter the kingdom of God.*

*<sup>6</sup> That which is born of the flesh is flesh [the physical is merely physical], and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*

*<sup>7</sup> Do not be surprised that I have told you, 'You must be born again [reborn from above—spiritually transformed, renewed, sanctified].'*

*<sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it wishes and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it is coming from and where it is going; so it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."*

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So, one of the first things that happens after accepting Jesus, is your ability to see. You're now able to see Jesus for who He is and your faith grows. Another eye-opening takes place when you start to read the living word of God, the Bible. The Holy Spirit begins to open the eyes of your understanding so you can comprehend the word. The key here is to ask; Holy Spirit to help you understand.

## Salvation is about having a relationship with God.

Salvation and getting saved is just the beginning. Jesus called himself the door. You accept Jesus and you enter the kingdom of God and the Holy Spirit enters into you.

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**John 14:6** <sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, "<sup>[a]</sup>I am the [only] Way [to God] and the [real] Truth and the [real] Life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

**John 14:15-17 (amp)** "If you [really] love Me, you will keep and obey My commandments.

<sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another <sup>[c]</sup>Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengthener, Standby), to be with you forever—

<sup>17</sup> the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive [and take to its heart] because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He (the Holy Spirit) remains with you continually and will be in you.

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The reason the Holy Spirit came into you is to start leading and guiding you.

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**John 16:13-15 (amp)** <sup>13</sup> But when He, the Spirit of Truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth [full

*and complete truth]. For He will not speak on His own initiative, but He will speak whatever He hears [from the Father—the message regarding the Son], and He will disclose to you what is to come [in the future].*

**14** *He will glorify and honor Me, because He (the Holy Spirit) will take from what is Mine and will disclose it to you. **15** All things that the Father has are Mine. Because of this I said that He [the Spirit] will take from what is Mine and will reveal it to you.*

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God did not create you just so you could get saved, he has plans for your life.

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**Jeremiah 1:5 (amp)** *"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you [and approved of you as My chosen instrument], And before you were born I consecrated you [to Myself as My own]; I have appointed you as a prophet to the nations."*

**Jeremiah 29:11 (amp)** *For I know the plans and thoughts that I have for you,' says the Lord, 'plans for peace and well-being and not for disaster to give you a future and a hope.*

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God gives everyone specific gifts, talents and callings. It's your responsibility to recognize your gifts and talents and to start putting them to use and discover your calling.

One more thing; Holy Spirit is a being. The Bible talks about God the father, Jesus the son, and the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is God's Spirit. He is a being and you need to get to know him for yourself. He is real, He's the one handling and moving things down here on earth. Start acknowledging Him and you will see He is real.

**IQ nugget-**

We believe this statement: John 14:6 (amp). So, when others come to you claiming that there are other Gods, other ways to get to God, your answer should be this.

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## Chapter 2

### The Kingdom of God



**T**he kingdom of God is doing things the way God does things. It's acting and reacting the way God acts and reacts. It's seeing and perceiving the way God sees and perceives.

The kingdom of God is the reign and rule of God.

The kingdom of God is a system.

The kingdom of God is a mindset.

I'm saying it like this because the kingdom of God is many things and I don't want you to just put it in one category.

God is a spirit and His kingdom exists in the spirit realm which is presently invisible to our natural eyes. Someday the kingdom will come in its fullness, but it is now available for us to enter in by faith.

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**Luke 17:20,21 (living bible)** *One day the Pharisees asked Jesus, "When will the Kingdom of God begin?" Jesus replied, "The Kingdom of God isn't ushered in with visible signs.*

**21** *You won't be able to say, 'It has begun here in this place or there in that part of the country.' For the Kingdom of God is within you."*

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## How the Kingdom Operates

The bible says the Spirit of God will reveal the ways of God to His children.

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**1 Corinthians 2 :9-13 (amp)** *But as it is written, The things which eye hath not seen, neither ear hath heard, neither came into <sup>[a]</sup>man's heart, are, which God hath prepared for them that love him.*

**10** <sup>[c]</sup>*But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the spirit <sup>[s]</sup>searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.*

**11** <sup>[t]</sup>*For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the <sup>[u]</sup>spirit of a man, which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.*

**12** *Now we have receiveth not the <sup>[v]</sup>spirit of the world, but the Spirit, which is of God, <sup>[w]</sup>that we might <sup>[x]</sup>know the things that are given to us of God.*

**13** <sup>[y]</sup>*Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the holy Ghost*

*teacheth, <sup>[z]</sup>comparing spiritual things with spiritual things.*

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With this understanding we can now operate in the kingdom of God here on earth. When Jesus taught his disciples to pray, part of the prayer was "thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven."

Each individual believer must engage the kingdom for themselves. The kingdom is about action and following the lead of the Holy Spirit.

Last thing to know about the kingdom of God, this topic is so vast you need to spend more time digging to find out what the kingdom of God is and how it works, so that you can have a better understanding from which to operate. **The benefit of the kingdom is access to the power of God.**

#### **IQ nugget-**

The kingdom of God is in many ways opposite to our human reasoning and thinking.

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***1Corinthians 3:19** For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God: for it is written, He <sup>[a]</sup>catcheth the wise in their own craftiness.*

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Be patient. It takes time, study, revelation and practice to gain understanding of the kingdom of God.

## Chapter 3

### Getting to know God



**M**y suggestion is that you should want to know who God is, after all He is your father.

The first thing I would like you to know about God is that God **is** love.

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***1 John 4;7,8 (niv)** Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.*

***8** Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.*

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Second, God and His word are one.

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***John 1:1 (niv)** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

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The nature of God and his word is summed up here:

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**Isaiah 55:11. (niv)** *so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.*

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The third thing is God's name is not God. The word "God" is a title; God has many names. I will share a few but you start digging to get the rest.

- ELOHIM – The creator
- El Shaddai – Lord God Almighty, the covenant name of God
- Jehovah Rophe – God of healing - The great physician who has the power to heal our physical, emotional, and spiritual needs.
- Jehovah Shalom – Lord of Peace. Wholeness in all of life or completeness, safety, and welfare. Wellness Siloam comes from living in harmony with God.

**IQ nugget –**

I tell people his name is Jesus, Jesus is the name and face of God. I called Father God "Daddy." The idea is to know him intimately and become so comfortable in your relationship that you too can call him Daddy.

## Chapter 4

### How to hear God/Holy Spirit



**T**here is no single way to hear the Holy Spirit – He communicates in many ways. Now that you're in the kingdom, you'll start to spend time with church folk and other kingdom-minded people. You'll listen to sermons and you will come across people that claim to hear God. I believe some do hear the Holy Spirit but others are questionable. My concern for you is that you learn to discern the voice of the Holy Spirit for YOURSELF.

I believe it starts by asking the Holy Spirit to speak to you in a way that you can hear. Be patient, it might take some time. I know of people who can calm themselves, clear their minds of their own thoughts and hear the Holy Spirit. Others meditate on scripture and illumination comes. Sometimes the speaker can say something and revelation comes to you. You can read the word or something else and the Holy Spirit makes it stand out to you in bold print. Sometimes it's a small voice giving warnings or directions. Many times, you don't recognize this form of the Holy Spirit's voice until after the fact when you discover that you did or didn't follow that voice. It usually shows up

like this, "Something told me not to do that or to go there." You read in the bible where God even spoke to people in their dreams.

Last example is when you make a decision or choice and you don't have peace about the decision. Many times, that's the Holy Spirit causing the unrest. You must learn to heed the many communications of the Holy Spirit. He is reaching out to us to give us his guidance. Pay attention with an expectation to hear what the Holy Spirit is saying.

**IQ nugget:**

When you believe that you heard God, check the word you heard it should line up with the Bible. God is about love. He will **never** tell you to **hurt** anyone physically, mentally, or spiritually.

# Chapter 5

## The Covenant



**A**nother part of salvation is the covenant. God created a covenant between Himself and His people. A covenant could also be described as an agreement or a contract. God is saying if you do your part, He'll do his part. Understanding the covenant is so important. As you get into the Bible and start listening to sermons you're going to hear about the blessing or being blessed. This stems from the Abraham covenant. There are 9 covenants in the Bible. I'm going to be talking about the Abraham covenant.

The Abraham covenant is the one I've noticed is most often talked about when they're talking about being blessed. Some believe it's an unconditional covenant but I believe it has a condition. The condition is to be obedient to God. The covenant of Abraham says:

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**Genesis 12:1-3 (amp)** *Now [in Haran] the Lord had said to Abram, 1"Go to the land which I will show you.*

*<sup>2</sup> And [a]I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you [abundantly], and make your name great (exalted,*

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*distinguished); and you shall be a blessing [a source of great good to others];*

*<sup>3</sup> And I will bless (do good for, benefit) those who bless you, and I will curse [that is, subject to My wrath and judgment] the one who curses (despises, dishonors, has contempt for) you. and in you all the families (nations) of the earth will be blessed."*

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Some will read that and think it's unconditional, but the condition is in the beginning: "leave your family and go to where I will show you." The condition is to follow and be obedient to God. As I know this covenant, I know it to be conditional. Jesus gives a clear example for us in:

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***John 5:19.** So Jesus answered them by saying, "I assure you and most solemnly say to you, the Son <sup>[e]</sup>can do nothing of Himself [of His own accord], unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever things the Father does, the Son [in His turn] also does in the same way.*

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This covenant is about being obedient to God's plans and leadings. As you gain more understanding, you'll start to see how the blessing works and how to activate it in your own life.

You can also see the covenant in:

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**Matthew 6:33 (amp).** *But first and most importantly seek (aim at, strive after) His kingdom and His righteousness [His way of doing and being right—the attitude and character of God], and all these things will be given to you also.*

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Now that you're starting to gain some understanding you should put it to use. A great place to start is by becoming a tither and a giver. The Bible talks about tithing, it's about giving a tenth of your income to Him. (The Church)

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**Malachi 3:10 (amp)** *Bring all the tithes (the tenth) into the <sup>[c]</sup>storehouse, so that there may be <sup>[d]</sup>food in My house, and test Me now in this," says the Lord of hosts, "if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you [so great] a blessing until there is no more room to receive it.*

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The principle of sowing and reaping will come into play:

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**Genesis 8:22** *"While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest, Cold and heat, Winter and summer, And day and night Shall not cease."*

*Galatians 6 (niv) <sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.*

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These verses talk about what you sow will come back to you. Remember, in a covenant you must do your part and God will always do his part, even if it didn't happen the way you thought or the outcome was not as you planned. I have learned that it's best to step back and look from a different perspective before saying God didn't do His part. Ask the Holy Spirit, "What is it that I'm missing?" He will show you.

**IQ nugget-**

The covenant is not about works, it's conditional.  
Some of the promises are too.

The principle of sowing and reaping has always been working in everyone's life. We live in a cause and effect universe. So, with this understanding, it's my hope that you **become covenant conscious** and intentional with the seeds you sow. Learning to live inside the covenant requires study, practices and faith.

# Chapter 6

## Your Authority



When you got saved you were given power and authority.

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***Luke 10:19 (amplified)** <sup>19</sup> I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.*

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Everyone who gets saved has access to this power. You will grow into your authority by studying and practicing your faith. Faith grows by working your faith. Another way to say it, is to work the word of God because the word works. You must learn the principles and laws of the Bible. Then you can start to put them to work in your life.

### **Activating Your Power**

The key here is to understand where your power is. Your power is in your mouth and through the words that you speak.

**Proverbs 18 :21(amplified)** *Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it and indulge it will eat its fruit and bear the consequences of their words.*

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Your words have power. You need to check the words you're speaking at all times. You cannot speak doubt and disbelief all day and then come back at night and try to use your power and authority to change a situation. All the words that you speak carry power even when they're filled with doubt, disbelief, and negativity.

One of the ways to activate this power is to start to speak over yourself what the Bible says about you. The Bible says, "Let the weak say I am strong." The Bible says, "Let the poor say I am rich." The Bible says, "You're the head and not the tail." The Bible says, "You're the lender and not borrower." Get your words to line up with the Bible. Read the word of God so you can learn what it says about you. God watches over His word to perform it.

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**Jeremiah 1:12 (amp)** *Then the Lord said to me, "You have seen well, for I am [actively] watching over My word to fulfill it."*

**Isaiah 55:11 (amp)** *So will My word be which goes out of My mouth; It will not return to Me void (useless, without result), Without accomplishing what I desire, And without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it.*

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Again, get your faith - filled words to line up with the Bible.

## **Authority over What and Who**

It's important for you to know who and what you have authority over. Let's go back to the beginning.

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**Genesis 1:26-28 (amp).** *Then God said, "Let Us (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) make man in Our image, according to Our likeness [not physical, but a spiritual personality and moral likeness]; and let them have complete authority over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the cattle, and over the entire earth, and over everything that creeps and crawls on the earth." <sup>27</sup> So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them. <sup>28</sup> And God blessed them [granting them certain authority] and said to them, "Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth, and subjugate it [putting it under your power]; and rule over (dominate) the fish of*

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*the sea, the birds of the air, and every living thing that moves upon the earth.”*

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Notice that in these verses your authority is not over people. What I want you to realize is that you have authority over Satan/devil and his forces.

Let's go back to:

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**Luke 10:19 (amp)** <sup>19</sup> *Listen carefully: I have given you authority [that you now possess] to tread on [d]serpents and scorpions, and [the ability to exercise authority] over all the power of the enemy (Satan); and nothing will [in any way] harm you.*

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Again, God is making it very clear here who your enemy is (satan). And he also makes it clear that you have power over him, (satan). Two key points you need to know when using your authority over the devil; First, you must use the name of Jesus:

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**1John 4:4** *Little children (believers, dear ones), you are of God and you belong to Him and have [already] overcome them [the agents of the antichrist]; because He who is in you is greater than he (Satan) who is in the world [of sinful mankind].*

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**John 14:12-14.** *I assure you and most solemnly say to you, anyone who believes in Me [as Savior] will also do the things that I do; and he will do even greater things than these [in extent and outreach], because I am going to the Father.*

<sup>13</sup> *And I will do whatever you ask in My name [<sup>[b]</sup>as My representative], this I will do, so that the Father may be glorified and celebrated in the Son.*

<sup>14</sup> *If you ask Me anything in My name [as My representative], I will do it.*

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Example "I bind you Satan in the name of Jesus I refuse to be sick. I've been redeemed from the curse and I'm not receiving any sickness or disease. I don't get sick."

The second point is you must demand your rights; the enemy won't stop just because you ask. You have to say it like you know it (believe it).

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**James 4:7** *So submit to [the authority of] God. Resist the devil [stand firm against him] and he will flee from you.*

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Example, "I resist you satan, get out of here!" You must exercise your authority and put the enemy in his place (and his place is under your feet.) One thing I've noticed about many believers is

they're always waiting for God to move when He is waiting for you to exercise your authority.

**IQ nugget-**

You have been given power and authority to rule, dominate and control your circumstances, situations and your flesh. One way to do that is by controlling your mouth. **Speak only what you want!**

# Chapter 7

## How to read the Bible



**D**on't be intimidated by the Bible. I say that just in case some of you tried to read the Bible back in the day and found it difficult to understand. Let me give you some keys to reading and understanding the Bible. First, ask the Holy Spirit to help you. The Holy Spirit wants you to gain understanding. He's here to assist you in getting wisdom, understanding, knowledge, and discernment.

With the Internet and smartphones, you have access to any version of the Bible you want for free. I use the Amplified, NIV, King James, and the living bible. Many times, I will read the same passage in two or three versions because sometimes the way it's said strikes a different tone.

The bible speaks in three ways: literally, figuratively and symbolically. Example, when the Bible speaks of light, it is usually talking about information, understanding, and revelation. When the Bible speaks of bread, many times it is talking about Jesus. When the Bible talks about the tree, many times it is referring to your life or how you put your life together. The better you get at interpreting the literal, figurative, and the symbolic, the clearer it becomes. Again, ask the Holy Spirit and others who you know are Bible literate.

Now, the Bible is speaking to three groups of people: the believers, the unbelievers, and the Jews. You must decipher what audience is being spoken to. If you can identify the audience it becomes easier to understand. You can learn a lot by reading the preview page in the book (if your Bible has that in it). This information is good because it gives you background and content prior to reading the book and this information allows you to interpret at a higher level.

When you're new to reading the Bible, I have found it best to jump in and start reading. Like anything else, it takes time and practice to get better. I started with reading the book of Proverbs. Proverbs is all about wisdom and understanding. I would suggest that you start there but don't just stay there, you must get into the whole thing. As you read the Bible, you'll notice that there are a lot of stories. **These stories in the Bible are not just stories, they are lessons for life.** Your job is to get to know and understand these lessons so you can navigate your life. My last point on the bible is that you must be convinced that it is the living word of God.

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**Hebrews 4:12 (amp)** *For the word of God is living and active and full of power [making it operative, energizing, and effective]. It is sharper than any two-edged <sup>[b]</sup>sword, penetrating as far as the division of the <sup>[c]</sup>soul and spirit [the completeness of a person], and of both joints and marrow [the deepest parts of our*

*nature], exposing and judging the very thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

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Once you're convinced, you'll find that you can't live without the Bible and studying it won't be an option, it will be a must.

**IQ nugget –**

You now know that the Bible is the handbook for life that will guide you in all circumstances or situations. whatever your solution can be found in the living word of God, the Bible.

# Chapter 8

## Prayer



**P**rayer at its root form is about communicating with God. Remember one of the main purposes of salvation is about restoring the relationship between God and man. Now that you're in a relationship you must communicate, and it's not just one way, he is speaking, too. As you continue to read the bible and listen to sermons, you'll notice that there are several types of prayers. I won't hit them all. I'll just point out some things to give attention to.

Let me start with faith. You must believe regardless of what type of prayer you're going to pray, believing is a must. Your belief system must be based on something and in this case it's on God and his word (the bible). God has a system in place for you to get your needs met, your desires met, and your purpose fulfilled. Prayer is one of the tools that we use to get things done in the kingdom.

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***Hebrews 11: 6** (amp) But without faith it is impossible to [walk with God and] please Him, for whoever comes [near] to God must [necessarily] believe that God exists and that He rewards those who [earnestly and diligently] seek Him.*

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When it comes to praying, you must remember what the bible says about God watching over his word to perform it. Jeremiah 1:12 (amp). This verse is telling us how we should pray, if he watches over his word to perform it, we need to be praying his word. This is how our needs, desires, and purpose will be met. Also check out:

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**Matthew 6: 5-15** words of Jesus. *"Also, when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to pray [publicly] standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets so that they may be seen by men. I assure you and most solemnly say to you, they [already] have their reward in full.*

**6** *But when you pray, go into your most private room, close the door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees [what is done] in secret will reward you.*

**7** *"And when you pray, do not use meaningless repetition as the Gentiles do, for they think they will be heard because of their many words.*

**8** *So do not be like them [praying as they do]; for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.*

**9** *"Pray, then, <sup>[b]</sup>in this way: 'Our Father who is in heaven, <sup>[c]</sup>Hallowed be Your name.*

**10** <sup>[d]</sup>Your kingdom come, Your <sup>[e]</sup>will be done On earth as it is in heaven.

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**11** 'Give us this day our <sup>[l]</sup>daily bread.

**12** 'And forgive us our <sup>[a]</sup>debts, as we have forgiven our debtors [letting go of both the wrong and the resentment].

**13** 'And do not <sup>[b]</sup>lead us into temptation, but deliver us from <sup>[i]</sup>evil. <sup>[j]</sup>[For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]'

**14** For if you forgive <sup>[k]</sup>others their trespasses [their reckless and willful sins], your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

**15** But if you do not forgive others nurturing your hurt and anger with the result that it interferes with your relationship with God], then your Father will not forgive your trespasses.

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There are 8,810 promises in the Bible. This tells me that for every circumstance or situation I may have in my life, there's a promise that will cover it. Find a promise that deals with your situation and claim that promise over and into your situation. Example: 1 Peter **2:24 (NIV)** **“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness, by his wound you have been healed.”** In this verse, he is promising healing and covering you from sickness and disease. So, use your authority to decree and declare that the sick has no right to your

body and tell it to go. According to **1 Peter 2:24** speak that out loud and mix your faith with it. The reason you speak it aloud is; angels move to make what you say happen and demons leave in this case sickness leaves because you say so . Remember God watches over His word to perform it, these promises are His word.

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***Psalms 46:1 (niv)*** *God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble*

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As a new believer, you are going to have to learn to lean on and trust in God as your source.

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***Proverbs 15:3 (niv)*** *The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good.*

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## **The many ways of prayer**

The prayer of agreement - There is so much power in agreement. There are so many examples of this in the word. Here is one:

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***Matthew 18:19,20*** *"Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven.*

*<sup>20</sup> For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."*

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The prayer of faith - Here's where a lot of prayers are prayed under this promise.

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***Mark 11:24** Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.*

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Now, when you pray, your request has to lineup morally and ethically with the character of God. God is not out granting your every wish. I say that because many people believe they can pray for anything because this verse is so open ended.

The prayer of intercession - This is praying on behalf of someone else or the government or for the church or your neighborhood. Remember your faith has power and it can move on behalf of others as well as yourself. But you can't supersede others' will:

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***Ephesians 1:15-18 (NIV)** For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people,*

*<sup>16</sup> I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.*

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*17 I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit<sup>[f]</sup> of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.*

*18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people.*

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Prayer is so important because many circumstances and situations need divine intervention in order to change the situation, whether it's your situation or someone else's.

**IQ nugget –**

learn to make prayer your first response. Know this prayer doesn't change something, prayer changes everything! Is anything too hard for God? Believe it and receive it.

## Chapter 9

### Know your enemy



**B**ack to the beginning, in Genesis 3 (you need to read the whole story) Adam turned over his power to satan, Jesus took back the power; by what he did on the cross and three days in hell. He emerged with all power. **I said all power** and gave it to the church, that is us, the believers.

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**Col.2:15 (NIV)** *And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.*<sup>[e]</sup>

**Matt.16:19 (amp).** *I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be<sup>[d]</sup> bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be<sup>[e]</sup> loosed in heaven.*

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You must come to the realization that satan exists and he is your enemy. The Bible refers to him as satan, Lucifer, and devil and his demons (fallen angels) are his posse.

**Luke 10:18,19 (NIV)** He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup> I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

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Knowing your enemy is crucial to walking in your authority and living a victorious life. Now that you're in the kingdom, satan does his best to distract, deceive, and cause doubt. The Bible says that the enemy comes immediately to steal the word that was planted in you.

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**Mark 4:13-15 (NIV)** Then Jesus said to them, "Don't you understand this parable? How then will you understand any parable?"

<sup>14</sup> The farmer sows the word. <sup>15</sup> Some people are like seed along the path, where the word is sown. As soon as they hear it, Satan comes and takes away the word that was sown in them.

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Here is where the distraction and doubt come into play. Take for instance this book. The enemy will try to get you to stop reading this book or any information about the kingdom. He would rather you check your Facebook page, get some bad advice from people around you (who may or may not be saved) or have you listen to another believer who doesn't know this information and they say

something like, “It doesn't take all of that.” The next thing you know, you're not reading anything about the kingdom. It's your responsibility to get your word and to guard your word and work the word of God.

The Bible gives us a heads up on how the enemy works.

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**2 Cor.2:11 (amp)** *to keep Satan from taking advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his schemes.*

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I will point out some of his tricks but you have to do some digging – you must know your enemy. I'll start with:

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**Ephesians 6:10-17. (AMPC)** *The Armor of God <sup>10</sup> In conclusion, be strong in the Lord [draw your strength from Him and be empowered through your union with Him] and in the power of His [boundless] might.*

<sup>11</sup> *Put on the full armor of God [for His precepts are like the splendid armor of a heavily-armed soldier], so that you may be able to [successfully] stand up against all the schemes and the strategies and the deceits of the devil.*

<sup>12</sup> *For our struggle is not against flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces*

*of this [present] darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) places.*

*<sup>13</sup> Therefore, put on the complete armor of God, so that you will be able to [successfully] resist and stand your ground in the evil day [of danger], and having done everything [that the crisis demands], to stand firm [in your place, fully prepared, immovable, victorious].*

*<sup>14</sup> So stand firm and hold your ground, having [b]TIGHTENED THE WIDE BAND OF TRUTH (PERSONAL INTEGRITY, MORAL COURAGE) AROUND YOUR WAIST AND HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS (AN UPRIGHT HEART),*

*<sup>15</sup> and having [c]strapped on your feet the gospel of peace in preparation [to face the enemy with firm-footed stability and the readiness produced by the good news].*

*<sup>16</sup> Above all, lift up the [protective] [d]shield of faith with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup> And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.*

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As you grow in your walk with the Lord you will come to the stage of contending with the enemy. You will hear messages of “putting on the armor of God” and fellow believers talking about “the armor of God.” The bible gives us this symbolism as a way of telling us that we are in a battle. It’s important for you to comprehend that **you’re in a battle**. It's very important that you know where this

battle is. It's in the spiritual realm. That's where it is and the way you fight is by controlling your words, praying with specific requests on every occasion in every season. You fight this battle with prayer, praise, worship, and understanding. Three quick points I want to touch on from Ephesians 6:10-17. First, don't pass over the first line in verse 10. God is telling us where to put our confidence – in Him. The way you do that is by learning the Scriptures and relying on God. My second point is nobody can do this for you. **YOU** must stand, and **YOU** must recognize the enemy's attacks. My third point is even though the enemy uses people many times, **you need to know that people are not your problem.** I said, people are not your problem. It's spiritual forces trying to dictate outcomes here on earth.

The bible makes it real plain in:

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**John 10:10 (AMPC)** *The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance [to the full, till it overflows].*

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So, with this understanding you can look around and see what is going on in the lives of others as well as your own life. When you recognize the stealing, the killing, and the destroying you know who's behind it, not only that but you can step in and use your

authority to come against him (devil) and change outcomes. (What I mean by that is, if you see a family member sick you can lay hands on them and pray.)

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**Mark 16:17,18 (NIV)** *These signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak in new tongues;*

*<sup>18</sup> they will pick up serpents, and if they drink anything deadly, it will not hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will get well.*

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I said it earlier, as you grow, you'll learn how to fight and the eyes of your understanding will be enlightened.

**IQ nugget-**

Your enemy is not some big bad wolf, as the devil would like us to believe.

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**1 Peter 5:8 (AMPC)** *Be sober [well balanced and self-disciplined], be alert and cautious at all times. That enemy of yours, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion [fiercely hungry], seeking someone to devour.*

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Notice the verse says “like a lion” he, the devil, is not a lion. He's a liar and a deceiver. There is no truth in him. Let me give you an

analogy I use. Do you remember the movie the Wizard of Oz? When Dorothy pulled back the curtain and saw this little runt, she couldn't believe he was the cause of all this fuss. That's what the devil is like - always going around bluffing. He has no power. If you believe him, he takes your power and uses it against you. Let me say it again "he, satan, has no power" don't give him yours!

## Chapter 10

### Who am I?



**A**fter telling you who your enemy is – **I have to tell you who you are in Christ Jesus.**

Here's a list from the Bible to get you started on who you are:

You're a King's kid, you're blessed and highly favored, you're the light of the world, you're the head and not the tail, you're the lender and not the borrower, you are an heir of God seated in heaven, you are the temple of the Holy Spirit, you are the righteousness of God, you are a friend of God, you are loved by God, just to name a few.

Here are some scriptures that confirm who you are:

2 Corinthians 5:21 righteousness

1 Corinthians 6:19 Temple

John 15:15 friend of God

John 1: 12 son of God

Ephesians 2:10 God's handiwork

Ephesians 4:24 create like God

Acts 1:8 temple

Matthew 5:13,14 salt and light

Romans 5:8 you are loved

Deuteronomy 28:12,13 the head and lender

**IQ nugget #1–**

The real you is a spirit, the reason you have a body is so you can be on the earth. It is extremely important that you know who you are. If you see yourself as a King's kid, you'll have the mindset and the actions of a King's kid

**IQ nugget #2 –**

I'll go just a little deeper, because I really want you to know who you are. You are a spirit being that lives in a body and processes a soul. Your soul is made up of your mind, will, imagination, intellect and emotions.

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***1 Thessalonians 5 (NIV)*** *May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

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# Chapter 11

## Praise and Worship



**P**raise is giving testimony to who God is. It's recounting all of God's goodness in your life. It's thanking God for what he has done, is doing, and is going to do.

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**Romans 15:11 (NIV)** *And again, "Praise the Lord all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise Him!"*

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Worship is the honor given to God alone. It's appreciating who God is and no one or anything is on that level but God.

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**Luke 4:8 (NIV)** *Jesus replied to him, "It is written and forever remains written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God and serve only Him.'"*

**John 4:23 (AMPC)** *But a time is coming and is already here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit [from the heart, the inner self] and in truth; for the Father seeks such people to be His worshipers.*

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## **How to praise and worship**

Praise and worship can be done individually and in a group. It's not just something you do at the beginning of church service. Here is the key to praise and worship; **YOU!** You must open your mouth and praise. Did you catch that? **YOU** must open your mouth. It can be done by talking or singing or dancing or playing an instrument. As you grow in your relationship with God, you'll find that it will become natural to start praising and worshiping God.

## **Why you should praise**

You were created for praise and worship. I have found that praise and worship seem to do more for me than for God. It brings peace over you that you can't explain. It opens your mind and spirit to God; it brings about a loving attitude that only comes through praise and worship.

## **How to use praise and worship**

Praise is your access to heaven. You find throughout the bible that praise brings God on the scene right now!

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***Acts 16:25 (amp)** But about midnight when Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns of praise to God, and the prisoners were listening to them; suddenly there was a great earthquake, so [powerful] that the very foundations of the prison were shaken and at once*

*all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened.*

***Psalm.22:3 (King James)*** *But thou art holy, O thou that inhabits the praises of Israel.*

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Praise is what we should do in many situations, it is as important as praying. If God inhabits our praise, we can use the tool of praise as a way for healing, for finding answers, and for whatever our circumstance calls for. Learn to be a praiser.

**IQ nugget –**

when you feel overwhelmed or the enemy seems to be coming in like a flood, break out into a praise. Praise stills the enemy and changes the atmosphere.

**Do it, it works!**

# Chapter 12

## The Ways of the Kingdom



**Recommend for a reason and a benefit.**

I'm going to borrow a quote from Miles Monroe. He used to say, "When the purpose of a thing isn't known, abuse is inevitable." I touched earlier on what the kingdom is, but now I want to show you how to incorporate the ways of the kingdom.

### ***Kingdom Ways –***

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***Proverbs 3:6 (living)*** *In everything you do, put God first, and he will direct you and crown your efforts with success.*

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**\*You must learn how to put God first.** It's just not something you automatically know how to do. We as people tend to rely on ourselves and our human reasoning. One of the ways I incorporate this into my life is at the beginning of a project or the day or circumstance I ask the Holy Spirit for his assistance and then I wait (sometimes not long) for his leading. Many times, he brings a person into the situation who has the answer or can point me in the

right direction. I happen to confess this verse so often it's in my consciousness. I am learning to trust in and rely confidently on the Lord with all my heart and not rely on my own insight or understanding. It's a process. Understand I operate with logic, I am adding God into my process.

### ***Kingdom Ways –***

**\*Learn to use the tools/weapons of the kingdom.** Here's a list of the tools/weapons I am speaking of 1. Communion, 2. Prayer, 3. Praise, 4. Plead the blood of Jesus, 5. Laying on of hands, and 6. Covering with oil. As you grow in the kingdom you come to the conclusion that you need a tool/weapon to deal with the circumstance or situation in front of you. I have used and continue to use all these tools and weapons daily. I plead the blood of Jesus on my house and possessions daily (no robbery or damage from storms). I anoint with oil myself and my family before we leave the house. We take communion every Monday. Although our kids are older, we encourage them to do it too. When someone feels sick or hurt, we lay hands on them and command that the symptom leave, we also take communion first. When I'm faced with a challenge at work or anywhere, I ask for the mind of Christ to come on me (wisdom). I've noticed that I'm praising God all day long unconsciously. When I let my dog out to do his business, I'm thanking God. I get my praise on when in the car, at work, it can be a "thank you Jesus" or a 2- or 3-minute praise. I have laid hands on my car, computer, and commanded them to work in the name of

Jesus (with success). I saw someone get hit by a car and I went over and laid hands on him and saw him get better before the ambulance showed up. These are examples of how I use these tools and weapons in my life. These tools/weapons are available for uses, it's up to **YOU** to use them.

***Kingdom ways –***

**\*Hedge of protection.** I believe we as believers are not using the ways of the kingdom to live a victorious life. God has established laws and principles for his kingdom and we in the kingdom need to use these laws and principles to reap the benefits. Take for instance Psalm 91. Use the whole chapter daily. We have used Psalms 91 almost every day for the past 30 years or so. I know it has kept us from harm, danger, and bad/foolish choices. All I can say is – **BUT GOD**. If He wouldn't have kept us, we wouldn't be here today. You need to cover yourself with this scripture daily.

***Kingdom ways –***

**\*Confession. Confessions are so powerful.** There are many benefits to having positive and Godly confessions. When you confess worldly sayings, they have a certain level of power, but when you incorporate the word of God as your confession it takes your power level to higher heights. I have been confessing what the word of God, - says about me and I have seen that word come to pass. The key to confession is to stay consistent and not speaking

counter to what you want. Example, "Don't speak life in one breath and in the next breath speak death." Mixing the two won't work.

I have heard over the years, outsiders and believers, say things like, "This was a good person and why did that bad thing happen to them?" or "They were a Christian so how did this catastrophe happen to them?" I don't know all the answers. I don't know if other believers are covering themselves as the word says to do, but I do know there's an enemy loose and he is trying to, - kill, steal, and destroy. I also know we have been given power over him and we're not unaware of his devices, so we, as believers, must use our authority to cover ourselves and others (those who you have the right to cover) so that the attacks of the enemy are nullified.

***Kingdom ways –***

**\*When you pray** you are always to pray in the name of Jesus and close out your prayer with amen It's how you seal your prayer

***Kingdom ways –***

**\*God and God alone is omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent.** I'll get back to those three words in a second. I want you to know that satan is not any of those three words even though you may hear a sermon that makes it seem he is. Other believers who don't know better, may also give him too much credit. Satan is a deceiver centuries ago he convinced some of mankind, that he had the same type of power as God and they believed him. From that

point on they (some of mankind) have been spreading that lie. Let me give you an example of how people and animals can be trained/fooled.

This is how they train a baby elephant, they put a large chain on his leg and they tie it to something he can't move. The baby elephant tries and tries and tries. After the baby elephant gives up, they put a small rope on him and he never tries again. Even when he is an adult elephant, the small rope holds him in place. Don't let a lie from way back when, make you think that satan has God-like powers. Remember God gave you power over him and his posse. Now, back to those three words: Omnipotence – all powerful, supreme power; Omniscient – all knowing, at all times; Omnipresence – all present, everywhere. That's what our God is.

**Psalm 139** is an excellent example of all 3 words in action. You should read it.

### ***Kingdom ways –***

**\*Having a kingdom mindset.** This perspective gives you confidence as you navigate through life. Understanding life from God's point of view brings with it purpose and direction. This purpose allows you the peace of mind to pursue what Holy Spirit tells you; not what outsiders who don't even know their God given purpose, yet will tell you what you should be doing. This mindset shapes and transforms your character, its objective is to make you like Jesus.

**Philippians 2 (AMPC)** <sup>5</sup> *Let this same attitude and purpose and [humble] mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus: [Let Him be your example in humility:]*

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### **Kingdom ways –**

\*“The just and upright shall live by faith.” “Without faith it is impossible to please God”. Faith is how you get things accomplished in the kingdom. The Bible says faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. So, your spirit feeds on the word of God and your spirit needs to eat daily. Think of it like this: In the natural world, if you were to eat you would gain strength. So, when your spirit man gets the word of God, your faith grows.

### **Kingdom ways –**

It says in:

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**Romans 3:23 (NIV)** <sup>23</sup> *since all have sinned and continually fall short of the glory of God.*

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**\*We all miss the mark and sin.** God is not expecting perfection from any of us. Some of your shortcomings will be noticeable to you instantly and others, God will show you where adjustments need to be made. When you sin/miss the mark, you need to repent, change your thinking/change your actions and keep moving

forward with God. Don't become sin conscious, beating yourself up over missing the mark and focusing on what you did or can't do. You must stay Christ-conscious, knowing that Jesus covered your sin, you are the righteousness of God and you will grow in that righteousness.

***Kingdom ways –***

**\*Your identity dictates your behavior.** Now that you're a Christian/believer, people around you are watching, some to assist and others to call you on everything they think a Christian should and shouldn't be doing. I've seen non-believers try to tell believers how they should behave. They say because you're a Christian you should help, trying to guilt you into helping. I want you to understand; you now represent the kingdom, and how you behave matters to the kingdom. As far as seeking approval, you should look to God for that, he is the only one you want to please. Most of the time, I said most of the time, other people's opinion of you is none of your business. There are some people's opinions that do matter. Do your best to represent well.

## **Kingdom ways –**

**\*Your commitment level is key to walking in the kingdom.**

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**Proverbs 2:4 (NIV)** *If you seek skillful and godly wisdom as you would silver and search for it as you would hidden treasures,*

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How bad do you want it? Are you familiar with the saying "there's no free lunch?" - In other words, everything costs something, and if you think being in the kingdom is free, it's not.

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**John 12:24-26 (AMPC)** *I assure you and most solemnly say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone [just one grain, never more]. But if it dies, it produces much grain and yields a harvest.*

<sup>25</sup> *The one who loves his life [eventually] loses it [through death], but the one who hates his life in this world [and is concerned with pleasing God] will keep it for life eternal.*

<sup>26</sup> *If anyone serves Me, he must [continue to faithfully] follow Me [without hesitation, holding steadfastly to Me, conforming to My example in living and, if need be, suffering or perhaps dying because of faith in Me]; and*

*wherever I am[in heaven's glory], there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.*

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It talks about this exchange of your life for the kingdom life.

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**Matthew 7:13,14 (NIV)** " *enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow is the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.*

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Now that you have entered through the gate (Jesus) the kingdom is the road, stay on it.

YOU CAN DO IT.

**Kingdom ways –**

**\*If you learn this you will be successful.**

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**Matthew 7:7,8. (NIV)** <sup>“[c]</sup>*Ask and keep on asking and it will be given to you; seek and keep on seeking and you will find; knock and keep on knocking and the door will be opened to you.*

<sup>8</sup> For **everyone** who keeps on asking receives, and he who keeps on seeking finds, and to him who keeps on knocking, it will be opened.

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Understand that you don't just ask a few times, you don't just seek for a little while, and you don't knock for a minute. You keep on asking, seeking, and knocking until you get what you came for. I like what it says in:

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**Galatians 6:9 (NIV)** *Let us not grow weary or become discouraged in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap, if we do not give in.*

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It's a promise so believe it.

### **Kingdom ways –**

**\*If you can do this, this will keep an open heaven on you all the time.** I am talking about controlling the atmosphere. What I mean by that is you being in a loving spirit, you having an attitude of kind of gratitude, and you walking in forgiveness.(forgiving others). This lifestyle is what keeps the windows of heaven open for you. Regardless of how other people act, you must control your response. Keep Matthew 7:12 in mind as you live life.

**Matthew 7:12 (AMPC)** *So then, in everything treat others the same way you want them to treat you, for this is [the essence of] the Law and the [writings of the] Prophets.*

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### **Kingdom ways –**

\*Sowing and reaping is a kingdom law. So, when you understand that all your actions and motives are evaluated, as you plant seed it behooves you to think before you sow. I have seen people get a hold of this law and just seek God's hand, (give me, give me, give me) instead of seeking God. God knows your motives so don't fool yourself. Let your giving come from a place of love.

### **IQ nugget –**

I don't want you to feel like being in the kingdom is overwhelming with all the information you need to know. But what I shared with you at the beginning of this book is what this book is about, renewing your mind to the kingdom way of thinking. The Holy Spirit's job is to renew your mind but, you have a responsibility to do the asking, seeking and the knocking.

## Conclusion



I wrote this book to give you sure footing at the beginning of your walk with the Lord. I have seen people get saved and a month or two later they're back to the way they were and not seeking God. The Bible talks about that in Mark chapter 4 – how people make an emotional decision and fall away quickly. It also talks about how the cares of this world can be distracting and luring with desires for worldly pleasures. These desires are often so strong that they can trump your decision that you made for God. When you don't fully understand what getting saved is about, it's natural to resume the course you were on when difficulty or desire shows up because of the word.

So, my question to you is this, "why Jesus?" You and only you can answer that question.

When you know *why*, your *what* has greater purpose.

Your *what* could be several things but *why* is singular.

I got saved in the summer going into the ninth grade. A peace came on me that I never knew before and that I'll never forget. And as I got older, I drifted but I always had a God consciousness that seemed to not let me go too far off the path. I rededicated my life to God at age 27 and have found many of my purposes in Jesus and

His word. So, my why has been answered over time. But at the age of 14 I knew I needed God in my life. I don't know how people live without him. I am rooted in Jesus and His word. My hope is that you too will be rooted in Jesus and His word.

Another hope is that you turn into the type of believer that is a seeker and a doer of the word. Don't be a victim of circumstances. What I mean by that is, I see many believers who don't know who they are, going through life allowing circumstances and the enemy dictating how their life is going to turn out. When God has given them power to dictate, change, and control their own outcomes. What I really want to see, is you becoming a believer that is walking in your power and authority the way God told you to. God needs you too and so does the world. So be that kind of believer – the kind you were created to be.

Thank you for reading. Go make it happen!

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