



Correction is Love Lesson 92

Have you ever been camping or backpacking in the wilderness? If you haven't you should give it a try. I guess it's not for everyone but let me assure you that it is well worth the experience. One of the things you come to adore the most about these trips is the down time you have, in other words, the unplugged time.

When you are down in a river valley surrounded by mountains you will not be receiving any phone calls and there are no Wi-fi connections available. The mailman is not delivering bills and your boss isn't around to hound you about that deadline. The "world" and all its enticements are not pounding upon your door. There are no car shows or fashion parades. There is no television, in fact, the only program you will be watching is one created by the Lord or yourself.

Basically, what I am saying is this, you are out in the midst of God's glorious creation, the daily distractions have been eliminated, you are living in the moment, listening to the birds, the breeze and flowing water. And it is good! You can hear, see and feel the nearness of the Lord. It is wondrous! This feeling, however, does not happen on the first day you are there in the wilderness. No, you have to be detached from the "world" for several days before you begin to feel an ease of tensions, before you begin to feel the peace that comes with detachment from the "world".

I guess the saddest part of this journey into the wilderness comes from the realization that while we are in the "world" we do not see how it is distracting us from the Lord. I wonder do you think that was the way it was in Hosea's time? You see outwardly, we seem to be enjoying our life and our time just as they were. We have cell phones, LCD televisions, and each season we pick up at least a few of the latest fashion trends. Outwardly, we seem successful but inwardly (spiritually) we have drifted farther from the Lord similar to the Israelites of Hosea's time. They were morally corrupt and spiritually wanton. In this regard, I believe, we have become much like them.

The Lord had Hosea take a harlot for his wife. Her name was Gomer. Hosea's life with Gomer proved to be an accurate yet tragic picture of the unfaithfulness of God's people. Gomer bore him children but she behaved badly, shamefully in fact. She went after the attention of those who showered her with the things she wanted:

Hosea 2:5 *...their mother has played the harlot; she who conceived them has behaved shamefully. For she said, 'I will go after my lovers, who give me my bread and my water, my wool and my linen, my oil and my drink.'*

And she did just that, she was distracted by the world and all its enticements. There were things that she felt she had to have, so she did what it took to get them. She was not born a harlot but it was a path she chose. In other words, she chose to place value in the wrong things. She ignored the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and turned to other gods instead. She celebrated their feast days, their New Moons and Sabbaths. She ignored what the Lord had established.

Hosea 2:13 *I will punish her for the days of the Baals to which she burned incense. She decked herself with her earrings and jewelry, and went after her lovers; but Me she forgot," says the LORD.*

How often do we become distracted by the world and place value upon the wrong things just like Gomer? How often do we go after those things we love, giving them precedence over the Lord? And how often does the church do this also? Remember, the Lord teaches us about our life individually but corporately as well. So when we ask questions of ourselves we more than likely must ask them not only on a personal basis but also on a church or corporate basis too! Therefore, when we consider Hosea and Gomer we must ask these questions:

How often do we allow the things we love to take precedence over the Lord?

Have I allowed the world to distract me?

Has the church become distracted by the world?

Has either myself or the church become a harlot in order to get what we want?

I know that these are tough questions to ask or even just think about but it is something we must do. Don't forget Gomer's behavior was a portrait of the church of that time so it is not that inconceivable that the same thing would be occurring in our time. This week the Lord said this,

06/13/12 MVA - **The world hinders faith. Be separate from the world and be of great faith.**

06/16/12 MVA - **Stay separate from the world. Diminish not My power. The world dilutes and pollutes. Stay separate from the world. Partially clean is not clean. Partial truth is not truth. My truth is pure truth. Seek My truth in all. Do not mix the world in My truth.**

That's right, the Lord is asking us to separate ourselves from the world. He is asking us to become detached and unplugged in much the same way we would on a camping or backpacking trip. **He is asking us to bring ourselves out into the wilderness away from the world.** And then He will join with us, and the two shall become one.

Hosea 2:14-23, 3:5 *"Therefore, behold, I will allure her, will bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfort to her. I will give her vineyards from there, and the Valley of Achor as a door of hope; she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, as in the day*

when she came up from the land of Egypt. And it shall be, in that day," Says the LORD, "that you will call Me, 'My Husband', and no longer call Me, 'My Master', for I will take from her mouth the names of the Baals, and they shall be remembered by their name no more. In that day I will make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, with the birds of the air; and with the creeping things of the ground. Bow and sword of battle I will shatter from the earth, to make them lie down safely."

"I will betroth you to Me forever; yes, I will betroth you to Me in righteousness and justice, in lovingkindness and mercy; I will betroth you to Me in faithfulness, and you shall know the Lord."

"It shall come to pass in that day that I will answer", says the LORD; "I will answer the heavens, and they shall answer the earth. The earth shall answer with grain, with new wine, and with oil; they shall answer Jezreel. Then I will sow her for Myself in the earth, and I will have mercy on her who had not obtained mercy; then I will say to those who were not My people, You are My people!' And they shall say, 'You are my God!'"

...Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They shall fear the LORD and His goodness in the latter days.

What we will be returning from, once we have gone into the wilderness to separate ourselves out, is a lack of knowledge. Yes, we will be returning from having forgotten God's laws (The Torah). It is explained in greater detail in **Hosea 4:11, 12** *Harlotry, wine and new wine enslave the heart...the spirit of harlotry has caused them to stray, and they have played the harlot against their God. The Israelites separated themselves from the Lord. They became oppressed and broken in judgment because they willingly walked by human precept. They willingly forgot God's laws, they willingly forgot His ways. They had become distracted by the world around them. They willingly played the harlot.*

From Take His Heart <http://www.takehisheart.com/harlotharlotrybride.htm> we have learned that a harlot is:

To understand "Harlotry" one must realize that it is an act. **A woman is called a harlot because of her acts, not because of her nationality or who she is.** People are called liars because they lie, not because of skin color or nationality. So we see, who a woman is has nothing to do with whether she is a harlot or a Bride. **It comes from her acts!** From this we see "the church," whom God refers to as a woman, is either a "harlot" **by her acts**, or a "Bride" **by her acts**.

God said Israel (a large number of people) played the harlot:

Hosea 4:15

Though you, Israel, play the harlot, let not Judah offend. Do not come up to Gilgal, nor go up to Beth Aven, nor swear an oath, saying The Lord lives.

The Lord speaks from His own mouth:

Ezekiel 23:5

"Oholah played the harlot even though she was Mine.

We must realize that only people who belong to God can play the harlot! God never said the other nations around Israel played the harlot because they weren't betrothed to Him. Only a Christian, a Jew, simply a believer, can play the harlot when it comes to God. We are not talking about unsaved people. Salvation is not the issue or the difference, when it comes to the acts of harlotry, or the acts of "a" bride.

Israel, by her acts, was in trouble with the Lord when she played the harlot. Therefore, God did not move miraculously on her behalf. The harlot church, which is the Lord's church, is also not in His will. **Why? Because of her acts.** Jesus is going **to reward a cleansed woman**, a woman fit to be His bride **because of her acts of Bride-ship as a corporate body!** To see the harlot you must know her acts and to see the Bride you must know her acts. **You cannot see either one clearly without knowing the acts of both and knowing which acts are of harlotry.** Remember, it is the **acts** of a woman that determine whether she is a harlot, or a Bride.

It was Gomer's acts that made her a harlot, Israel's acts made her a harlot as well. We, likewise, have not followed after the Lord but instead have followed after our own way. We, like Gomer, have allowed the world to influence us. The Lord sent Hosea to deliver a message to Gomer and the Israelites. Roy has been sent to deliver a similar message to us.

In recent months, the Lord has been telling us that time is short, hence, we need to get cleaned up. Therefore, what the Lord is telling us at this time is that, now is not the time to be chasing rabbits down rabbit holes. We should stick with that which we know is from the Lord. And the Lord is teaching us this:

1 John 4:1 *Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.*

And from Take His Heart:

Jesus said:

Matthew 7:13-14 *Enter by the narrow gate: for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.*

God is telling us that His way is "strait and narrow" and few will find it! God cannot lie so this needs to be taken very seriously.

Years ago, when God started teaching me by His Spirit, He gave me a night vision. In this vision I was looking at the earth from high above. The Lord spoke to me saying, **"You are going to be surprised at how narrow the way is to the top!"** I knew, and saw, that all the people of the world would have to pass through the small opening like is indicated on the picture below, to be able to get to "the top of the world." I knew the

Lord was using the old saying about being "on top of the world" because it was something I could relate to as it applied to success in things concerning God.



In the scene were the outlines of the states in the USA. God used my home place in Sumner County Kansas to show just how narrow the way really is to the top (success) when pictured in relationship to the whole world. During the vision there was a time I had a close up view of the state of Kansas and I could see the narrow way depicted by the opening between the white lines as shown in the picture. The opening was right over Kansas and basically the width of the entrance was the width of Sumner County. (God was simply using this location that I am familiar with for the sake of my understanding the picture He was giving.) Sumner County is only 36 miles wide and represents how really narrow the way to life is that the Lord speaks about in scripture. Compare this to the approximately 21,600 miles around the earth, representing how broad the way is to destruction! This gives us an idea of how narrow the way is that Jesus talked about.

So the Lord is saying that His way is narrow but He has also been revealing that a problem has been developing amongst His people. It is a problem that relates to His narrow way. This problem occurs when His people are getting together, sharing information from various sources on the internet. Remember, He told us that the gate is narrow and few find it, He warned us of false prophets in **1 John 4:1** as noted above, and He also gave us this:

06/13/12 BT – **There are double agents. You cannot just read one word. You have to read the word in aggregate. Aggregate - a total or gross amount.**

What I believe He is saying is, that although something might look good on the surface this does not necessarily mean that it is good in its entirety. In other words there may be some “prophets” or “teachers” out there on the internet who are giving you partial truths intermixed with untruths. And some of these may even be “**double agents**”.

06/16/12 MVA - **Stay separate from the world. Diminish not My power. The world dilutes and pollutes. Stay separate from the world. Partially clean is not clean. Partial truth is not truth. My truth is pure truth. Seek My truth in all. Do not mix the world in My truth.**

These untruths and partial truths are all over the internet. If you are like me you receive many of these in emails. I receive lots of emails from various sources. Many are unproven. Just over the past week or so I received an email such as this. It came from a

fellow believer in the Lord. It contained a message from a “prophet” of the Lord. After I briefly, and I mean briefly (I just read a few lines) looked at a few lines, well, the Lord gave me a dream in the night regarding those few brief words I read. The dream went like this:

06/08/12 CT DREAM – Bob and I went to a Chinese restaurant. It was a new one we had never been to before. We ordered our food and it came to us. I think Bob was eating his but I’m not sure, I did not see him eating anything. When I got my food I took a couple of very small bites of the vegetables but I had to stop eating because the food on the plate completely disgusted me.

On this first plate I got there was some kind of large worm like creature with hundreds of little bitty legs. It was so gross in every way, color, appearance - just everything about it was gross. And then as I was looking at it more closely, it was still alive. I had them take it away.

So they took that plate back and then they brought me another plate. This time there was a massive rat on the plate covered in sauce. I looked at it and I realized that the rat was still alive also. They must have knocked it out or something at first because when I first got it, it was not moving but it started moving after I had it for a few seconds. I was so grossed out. I was thinking what kind of a restaurant is this. And then I woke up.

Bob had received the same message that referenced this “prophet” of the Lord. He read part of this “prophet’s” message and thought that it sounded good. He even referred to it in a phone call. Later that night He received the words from the Lord that related to “double agents”. The entire message he received from the Lord reads like this:

06/13/12 BT – There are double agents. You cannot just read one word. You have to read the word in aggregate (in total).

However, he did not connect the reading of the message off the internet to the words he had received from the Lord. So as he was impressed by this message from this “prophet” he again spoke of it but this time he emailed it to another person. And then that night the Lord gave him a dream.

06/15/12 BT Dream – There was a bug that had a disease that was following me around etc, etc, etc.

This dream, however, was much more involved than him merely having a diseased bug following him, no this bug, ended up being a tool or implement used by evil to deliver bad messages. The bug you see turned into a writing pen that was used for extortion and kidnapping. How much more colorful of a picture could the Lord have painted for him!

But the Lord wanted to make sure that we thoroughly understood the message He was delivering so He gave us one more dream to complete the picture.

06/18/12 CT Dream – I dreamt that I was at a restaurant. A very friendly man who worked at the restaurant pushed a large jar over towards me it had some type of pickled food in it. The jar was large and it was completely full. There was a lot of “food” in this jar. I can’t remember if I tried any or not but I don’t think I did. I knew, however, that it was not good. It did not look appetizing to me. I soon realized that the food that was in the jar was pickled anus. I woke up.

After doing a little research I discovered that Bob and I were not the only ones who had received this same message regarding this “prophet’s web site, others had received it as well.

06/04/12 SN - **Keep concentrating on things I show you** (xxxxxx website?). **Resist the enemy. He will flee from you. Proclaim the good news. Teach others the same. (How Lord?) Do what I say/tell you to do!**

That’s correct, when the Lord was asked specifically about this website that we had all been looking at He answered with a resounding... **Resist the enemy. He will flee from you.**

And then when you put these words together with the dreams that Bob and I had, comparing spiritual to spiritual, we can see what the Lord is teaching us. He is teaching us that everything is not as it seems at first glance. You have to look at it in its entirety, **You have to read the word in aggregate(in total).** Thus the Lord is teaching us that on the surface some things may seem good but once you look at it in its entirety, in total, then it is not good. It may even seem like it is coming from a good, **friendly** source, someone like yourself, but once you examine it, once you see it for what it really is, you soon realize that it is not fit to be eaten. We must realize there is evil out there. **There are double agents.** Bob crushed the bug in his dream. We must do the same.

The Lord has taught us through all of this that we cannot trust everyone just because they say they are a “prophet” of the Lord. We are not to eat the **worm**, the **rat** or even **the pickled anus** of the world. We cannot eat the fruit of lies. The Israelites trusted in others outside of God. They trusted in their own way and they trusted lies as well and the Lord said this:

Hosea 10:13 *You have plowed wickedness; you have reaped iniquity. You have eaten the fruit of lies, because you trusted in your own way, in the multitude of your mighty men.*

We must put out trust in that which has been proven to be from the Lord like the bible, the Take His Heart website and the God Calling Book, in addition to the words He has given us through meetings, dreams and visions. The Lord has proven overtime that we can place our trust in these sources. We must seek Him out for any unproven word. He will then let us know what is good and what is not. He will correct us if need be. Just as He corrected us in this.

I realize that correction is difficult to hear and receive, after all we are people who love the Lord, and because we love Him, hearing the news that we have ventured on the wrong path is upsetting to us. We want to be pleasing to Him. Yes, it is upsetting when we feel like we have let Him down. But He does not want us to become discouraged. He wants us to remember this:

06/17/12 MVA - Correction is not criticism. Correction is Love. I correct loved ones. Realize the difference. Criticism is not refinement. Correction is refinement. Never be discouraged at correction, as it is all, done by your Loving God, Jesus. He is moving and guiding you to a better end. Guiding around obstacles unseen by you. Protecting you from road hazards unknown by you. All this is done by My loving hands of correction. Be encouraged. Spend time, see the correction, and be corrected. Much correction accompanies much refinement. See correction for the Love it is. I Love you tremendously. Walk in all purity.

And He said this as well:

06/02/12 DP - Look to Me, all answers are in Me, no problem is too great to solve.

06/03/12 SN - Focus, Train yourself to hear My voice clearly.

06/06/12 SN - Let Me lead you here on out, Go in the way I have set.

06/12/12 SN - Focus only on that which I tell you, Do not impart to seek out new adventures.

Let's continue to compare spiritual to spiritual and see what else the Lord has been revealing to us in this regard.

May 28 2012 Monday, Dream

MVA - Was in a place like a big auditorium with a very large pinball machine in the center of it. There was a group of people in the auditorium both men and women. I was playing the pinball machine and it had a red button on each side of the machine for the flippers to hit large silver balls around inside the playing surface of the machine. I was hitting some of the silver balls but they would not come back or come back very slowly. At one point I was pressing the buttons very fast and the flippers were moving back and forth very fast occasionally hitting one of the silver balls. Then I realized the entire floor was on a slope and the pinball machine which was built with a slope was 180 degrees backwards to the slope making the balls inside the machine not come back to the end they were supposed to. The group of men and me were going to rotate the machine 180 degrees so it would work properly. I lifted the end with the score board on it and a few other men were going to lift the other end. Then they were all walking around socializing with one another but they were all unclothed and either didn't realize it or didn't care. Julia Roberts the actress was also there and at one point a another young man who was there was asking her out but she said no. She or another woman were also answering a phone over by what looked like a abandon section of the auditorium. There was also a window that sunlight was coming through that some of the people had been laying in for

a while then they were walking around talking with everyone. Everyone was completely unclothed and talking among themselves. Not sure what I was doing basically observing. The room may have been level at that point-not sure. Everyone was white and the auditorium was well lit. The people especially Julia Roberts seemed to be facing their bottoms toward people with some of them having hair on them.

And one last dream I wanted to share with you is this:

June 11 2012 Monday, Dream

Something about Face Book and Marijuana or Face Book and growing Marijuana.

The picture that I believe the Lord is painting through these two dreams is that while the internet can be good, it can also be “sloped” or slanted. There are some **silver balls** available to hit but we must be cautious. We need to examine the floor or the ground it is standing on to make sure it is level and not slanted before we take aim or the return we get from our efforts will not be correct. It will not be good. I think the Lord is saying, yes, there is some light there but when we step away from it and go milling about, socializing with one another, unclothed, we are being inappropriate. Remember the people in the dream were showing their “bottoms” to one another.

Facebook, like the auditorium in the first dream, is a place we can go to mill about, to socialize, however, we need to make sure we are not showing our “bottoms”. The Lord also inserted marijuana into this second picture. We know that the trade (**buying or selling or exchanging**) of marijuana is illegal. And I knew that marijuana made you high but I wasn't really sure what making you “high” meant exactly so I decided to do some research to find out. What I found is that marijuana is a substance that affects your memory, judgment, perception, decision-making, coordination but it also interferes with your learning. Therefore, since the Lord has connected facebook with marijuana I think we definitely have to be careful how we use facebook. However, my husband pointed out that people smoke marijuana because it gives them a feeling of euphoria. He said, if people just looked at its affects then no one would be smoking it. Consequently, Facebook, likewise makes you feel good as well but the underlying affects can be like those of marijuana if you are not using it properly.

Facebook like the auditorium can have some light in it but we need to make sure that we do not buy, sell or trade in any illegal substances that will affect our memory, judgment, perception, decision-making or learning. We need to corroborate information by comparing spiritual to spiritual. This should be applied to either reading or posting. In other words we should not place any information that relates to the Lord on any site if we are not sure it is of Him. Likewise, don't believe everything you read.

Please understand I am not saying that we should have a mass exodus off of Facebook. I believe it is good place to answer the Lord's call of:

God Calling - January 2

You are to help to save others. Never let one day pass when you have not reached out an arm of love to someone outside of your home—a note, a letter, a visit, help in some way.

Facebook is a good place to send birthday wishes, friendship hugs, and share pictures. And yes I think it is a good place to stay connected to reach out, sharing an arm of love but I do not think the Lord wants us to use it as a platform for unproved messages. From this point forward we must remember the Lord connected facebook to an illegal substance. Before we make a posting we must ask if this is something the Lord would approve of.

And in regards to looking at forwarded material from the internet that relates to the Lord, well, my policy is this: If it is not from either the bible, Take His Heart, or God Calling, meeting or dreams then I am not going to read it. I know the Holy Spirit teaches me through these. I know this because I have learned an enormous amount from them and I know that I am still learning through these. This is after all how I learned about “How the Holy Spirit Teaches”. I believe that Roy like Hosea is a true prophet of the Lord. This is not said lightly but with conviction.

At this point I think it would be good for us to stop and think about what Take His Heart is. It is information from the Lord to get you into a position to be refined by Him. It teaches us how we are saved and how to save others unto eternal salvation. It teaches us how to be saved in this life. It teaches us about righteousness, reverence and obedience. It teaches us how the Holy Spirit teaches. It teaches us how to approach Him. And it teaches us how to hear His voice so that He can communicate with us, and thereby, refine us into the people He created.

As you are thinking about all of this, let’s take a moment to look back at the picture of the world presented earlier in this article. Roy talked about how the opening was right over Sumner County, Kansas. The Lord used this to demonstrate how narrow the way is because Sumner County is only 36 miles wide in comparison to the entire circumference of the earth. But we must appreciate the fact that the Lord could have used any place on the earth to demonstrate the narrowness of the way. He did not have to use Sumner County, Kansas, however and because we don’t believe in coincidences, then we must believe that the Lord is also saying (by using Sumner County) that Take His Heart is teaching us the way onto that narrow path.

We have declared that we believe that the Take His Heart website is the Book of Remembrance. It is teaching us things that have been forgotten over time. It is teaching us, as stated previously, about the narrow path. The Lord has said, **I give you boundaries so you can find me.** Once we are on this narrow path we must stay in bounds. Straying from the path is dangerous. Yes, the Lord wants to guide us onto this

narrow path but we must meet with Him in order for this guidance to take place. This week the Lord encouraged us to meet with Him:

06/14/12 FJ – **Seek Me daily.**

06/17/12 LB - **Remember do not make it complicated. I have given you all the tools and My Holy Spirit to guide you.**

06/17/12 BT - **Meet with Me more. Why do you have trouble with this? Am I not most important? Do I not provide everything? It is important, would I ask of you if it wasn't. This is the time to draw near to me, to become one with me. This is not possible without Golden meetings. How will you know my will for you? How will you learn My plan? The times are changing, you will need to be close to Me. You will need to follow my command. How will this be possible if you don't meet with me?**

06/18/12 DP - **I AM THAT I AM. All is Me and consist of Me, without Me there is nothing. I AM the Life and the Life is in Me. Hear what I say, I send instruction down the river of life for the purpose of teaching My people gather all I have given you.**

Some may think that simply focusing on the bible, Take His Heart, God Calling, meetings, dreams and vision is narrow-minded, even constricting but it was the Lord who described the path as narrow. And it was the Lord who set the boundaries. Our only part is to be obedient and stay within the boundaries He has set for us.

Hosea 14:9 *Who is wise? Let him understand these things. Who is prudent? Let him know them. For the ways of the LORD are right; the righteous walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them.*

The Lord had Hosea take a harlot for a wife because He wanted an accurate picture painted for us. His wife, Gomer, was into self. She wanted what she wanted and she willingly became morally corrupt in order to satisfy herself. She was a part of the world. Israel became corrupted as well. The Lord wants us to learn from Hosea and Gomer. He wants us to detach from the world. He wants us separated out, unaffected, not influenced by the world and what it throws at us. The Lord's Bride will not be harlotrous. She will be His Beloved.

06/17/12 CT - **Obedience is a warm embrace.**

06/18/12 DP - **Meeting in Me, be lost in Me, explore together, I come to all, love overflowing receive, (Received), Washed in love. See all I am showing you.**

Will you embrace your Lord? Will you be obedient? Will you Meet in Him? Will you embrace the wilderness experience with the Lord?

May the Lord Bless and Keep You,

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