# Lesson 100 Hour Glass Aug. 15, 2012

#### 08/14/12 MEETING:

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#### **Be Imitators**

Have you ever been around a person who has had an infectious personality? After spending some time with them you started to pick up their favorite expressions or maybe their accent? Maybe you even picked up some of their mannerisms. And this, this was happening without you even realizing it. For example, earlier this year Bob and I made a trip to Boston and before you knew it Bob was talking about the cah (car) and everything was "wicked good". He was imitating the accent and expressions of Boston. And then the all to familiar Texan expression of "y'all" turned into "you guys". Now I think Bob was just kidding around with these famous Boston expressions; however, he did start to pick up on the Boston accent just over the short time we were there. His cousin even asked him if he was making fun of her accent. He said, "No, I'm not. It's just that I am like a parrot in that I repeat sounds."

I think it was easy for Bob to pick up these expressions because he had previously lived in the New England area for a while when he was younger, and as a child he would often visit his grandparents in Boston; consequently, it was easy for him to slip back into these expressions. If we had ended up staying longer then these expression would more than likely have become a more permanent part of his daily exchanges.

That which Bob repeated in Boston were mere expressions and accents, however, when Christ speaks to us of being imitators of Him He is speaking of much more. He is speaking of His holiness. He is speaking of His righteousness. He is speaking of His example. He is speaking of His heart. He is speaking of fairness, justice, truth and mercy. He was speaking of Christ in His entirety, in His completeness. Remember Christ did not come to destroy but to fulfill (Matthew 5:17). And we, we are to imitate Him.

**Luke 6:40** "A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher.

**Ephesians 5:1** Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice, to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

**1 Peter 1:14-16** ... as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written "Be holy, for I am holy."

We are to be like Jesus. He is the example we have been given. Previously, He said it like this,

11/22/09 CT - Be an example, just as I was an example.

11/29/09 CT - Prioritize love; put it at the top of your list because God is love. All actions and words should come out of love. Because you have a complete union with me. My earth life was sacrificed through love for you. This is your example.

02/21/10 CT - What matters most? God the Father, King of the Universe. You shall love the Lord your God, with all your mind, with all your heart, with all your strength, and you will put Him before all others. This is your rudder. This is what guides you. How do you reflect this? That's the question to ponder. Think on this.

How are you known?.... to the stranger and to a friend. Let light guide you. What is the light -your love for God. Jesus is your example, his kindness, his compassion, his dedication, his living in God's will completely.

How do you reflect what guides you? Light bounces off of snow. (snow is cold it has no warmth) Be warm, be kind, be compassionate, be dedicated to the living God's will for you.

And just recently He said this,

08/10/12 DP - I Am molding you into a godly man according to My likeness.

Once again the Lord is re-emphasizing an important point through the words He gave this week when He asked us to imitate Him, to follow His examples.

Symbolize Me, imitate Me, until it is you. Follow My examples: feed the poor, heal the sick, make the lame walk – in other words give rest. This can't happen until you are <u>one with Me</u>; <u>one with My Father</u>, allowing the Holy Spirit <u>to indwell within you</u>.

#### **One Focus**

The Lord just stated that we must become one with Him.

One (in this context) is defined as:

being or amounting to a single unit rather than two or more; being a person, or individual or member of a number, kind, or group; existing, acting, or considered as a single unit, entity, or individual; of the same or having a single kind, nature or condition.

Thus from this definition we can see the picture that the Lord is painting. It is a picture of moving in unity with Him. It is a picture that reminded me of this from the Take His Heart website. (Found at http://www.takehisheart.com/fusion.htm)

The Lord has been teaching us about growing up into Him. He has even given us a song that includes the thought. It is most certainly Biblical.

## Ephesians 4: 15

But speaking the truth in love, may **grow up into him** in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

The scripture reveals that we are to grow up into Him in all things.

This article described a scene that had been given. The scene was one of unity. It was given to help us learn about growing up in Him. There were golden people in the scene. These golden people were all focused on what Jesus was doing. Ultimately, the Lord used this scene as a way of pointing to the importance of the flow book. The Lord said, "You cannot be married to me and not be focused on what I am doing!"

The flow book helps to keep us focused. The Lord gives instruction and/or correction through the flow book. We step out in faith and obey. Therefore, focusing on what He has given, on what He is doing, will help us to grow up in Him. We must be attentive to all He is bringing us now. We do this by studying our flow books. They, after all, are the receptacles used to store and share what the Lord has given.

Here are some examples of the Lord teaching us about the importance of our flow books and journaling.

07/11/12 CT – Food for thought, all I have taught you is food for thought. Think on this. Review your <u>flow chart</u> (book), the <u>website</u> and the <u>bible</u>, all provide food as does the <u>God Calling book</u>. Try to understand and relate to Me as both Lord and Savior and friend. My Bride will understand My heart, take peace and security in this.

All these receptacles help us to come to understand, to know, to be one with Him. But this is nothing new, the Lord has been saying it for a while now.

11/11/2008 BT- Part of <u>Flow Charting</u> (Journaling) is a deterrent to sin. The <u>flow chart</u> is public. If you don't want people to know about your sins you will not be able to flow chart (Journal) because you will have to talk about your sins in the Journal. They will become part of your <u>flow chart</u>. This is also part of confessing your sins to one another. You may not want to commit a sin if you know you will have to tell someone what you did. The sin must be confessed or else the door is left open for the enemy. The enemy can use your secrets against you.

Journaling is essential for intimacy with the Lord Jesus. If you want to be a part of the Bride and not just a guest at the wedding you must keep your Journal. The Journal is at the center of the narrow golden path – it is not possible to stay on the path without a Journal. Your Journal will cleanse you and move you forward towards brideship. It is your personal road map.

The Lord declared that our journals are essential to intimacy with Him. They help to clean and refine us. Remember, "Be holy, for I am holy." Hence, the Lord is saying that our flow books are a crucial part of the path we must walk down to become one with Him. We step out in faith, we meet, we listen, we record, and we obey. We cannot forget that the Lord said, "You cannot be married to me and not be focused on what I am doing!"

Flow books help to keep our focus on the Lord. And finally consider this, learning how the Holy Spirit teaches, was one of the three major spots as revealed by the Lord. I think we can agree that all we have talked about thus far directly revolves around us becoming one with Him.

### One Will

We follow after His Spirit, step by step, line upon line, precept upon precept by studying His words, and yes, this most definitely includes our flow books. However, what the flow chart, the bible, and even the God Calling Book, what they are all teaching us to do, is to follow after His will and they are teaching us His ways. This is what we are learning.

We cannot be one with Him while we are doing our own thing. In most instances they are not compatible. It's a narrow gate, two cannot go through at once.

**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."

This narrow path we are attempting to walk on is all about Him. Our will should not venture into it. This is because self will take us off course. In the bible "self" is described as the "broad way". It leads to destruction. We, however, want to stay on the narrow path; because in the end this is the path that will help us to become one with Him.

This narrow path we are walking on is His ways. It is a new path that we are unfamiliar with, and yes, it is a narrow and difficult way, but it is the way of life. And since we now know how important flow books are, let's see what the Lord has had to say about our will versus His way in the past:

08/06/11 BT – How can you know My thoughts? By My spirit. Follow after My Spirit. Step by Step, line upon line, precept upon precept. My Bride knows my thoughts. My Bride is one with Me. Do not be shy. Walk in faith (boldly). My Bride has faith in Me. She walks hand in hand with Me. 06/02/12 CT - Be of one accord; be of like mind. Cleanse yourself. Do what is right. What has light to do with darkness. My Bride will be pure and holy just as I AM. She will be pure and holy because we are one, because we are united in marriage. The two become one, this is how she is pure and holy. Cleanse yourself. Get rid of rebellion (You can't have it your way) and be apart of the Bride. 07/24/12 BT – What I say will be and I say "Bride Come forth." My Bride will manifest in the earth. Will you be a part? She will be spotless and clean and I will adorn her in fine linen. You must learn My ways if you want to be apart of My true Bride. There is no other way. The path is narrow. The path is Me – Jesus. You must follow after My heart. Come Forth Bride.

08/08/12 DP - Be one with Me in union, one with Me in purpose, one with Me in plan this is My calling for you. Be focused on My leading I will direct and guide. Spend time with Me wisely, time spent together causes us to grow closer. Focus My child the way is made, if you will follow the victory is yours.

08/09/12 DP - Place of peace away from the world, time spent in Me in union. Dwell with Me in oneness.

08/10/12 DP - Oneness, I will have oneness.

08/14/12 DP - Focus driven you must be, let nothing stop you from coming to Me. The way is made known through Me I desire to reveal. Trust Me I love you My child.

This lesson began with these words from the Lord: Symbolize Me, imitate Me, until it is you. Follow My examples: feed the poor, heal the sick, make the lame walk – in other words give rest. This can't

happen until you are one with Me; one with My Father, allowing the Holy Spirit to indwell within you. From all we have talked about thus far we have learned that we will not be effective, we will not be all we were made to be until we are one with Him. However, this is a process we are learning, that's why it is step by step. It has not happened overnight. We have had to re-learn what was lost over time. We are doing this because we want to be pleasing to Him. We want to be of one accord with Him just as He would like. This is why we must put our will down.

1 Peter 2:21-22 For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: "Who committed no sin, nor was deceit found in His mouth"; Matthew 16:24-25 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it."

1 John 2:6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked. John 13:15 ... "I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you."

If we are to become one with Christ, we must follow His example, by denying ourselves, setting our wills aside, losing them to follow after Him. And we must learn His ways. In "Uncharted Waters" the Lord said:

I am calling you to be pioneers, yet I have sent pioneers ahead of you to mark the way. You will feel lost (for a moment of time) - for <u>your ways must die in order for My ways to live</u>.

Let's let that sink in - Our way must die.

05/11/12 CT - Go back and see what I established. <u>Practice what I set forth</u>. This is the message I want understood (from holy days to the golden rule). It's not difficult just unfamiliar. Familiarize yourselves with <u>my ways</u>: love, faith, and obedience. Love grows faith, faith leads to obedience and obedience to brideship.

We are to be of one accord. We are to have one will, the Father's. Isn't that what we pray for.... "Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done..." He is teaching us to align our ways. He is teaching us to be one with Him.

## The Why

And what might be the reason why the Father asked this of us? Why does He want us to imitate Him? Why does He want us to follow His example? Well, let's read the words again once more to discover the reason for this.

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In this particular instance, this is the purpose, this is the reason, why the Lord has asked us to follow His example. It is to give rest. This reminds me of the tithe in that He is not asking it for Himself but for others. How awesome is that!!!!! Yes, the Lord understands that we must be one with Him in order to fully accomplish this task.

#### Seek Me

As we become more familiar with the Lord's ways, as we begin walking those out, do not be surprised when the enemy will come against you.

08/08/12 MVA - Victory is at hand. The enemy knows this be on guard.
08/14/12 MVA - Purpose walk in always. Hope in purpose. Many events are coming to pass. Important to be obedient to all your God Jesus is showing you. Protection from enemy's flood. Seek My counsel.

Not only does he (the enemy) not want the truth to come out but he also does not want you to accomplish your task. The Lord warned us of this in the words we got this week:

Some people will try to suppress the truth. Do not allow this to happen to yourself.

However, the Lord encouraged us to seek Him out when this happens.

08/14/12 CT - Always seek the truth because I AM truth. Always seek Me. 08/09/12 DP - seek Me I AM near.

When you feel the enemy coming against you, whether it is self-doubt, a dispute over doctrine, or idle babble, no matter what it is, the Lord says, we are to be diligent in our faith and in our walk, we are not to "strive about words to no profit" (2 Timothy 2:14), and we are to go to the Lord, calling on Him, remembering that He is always with you.

**Jeremiah 29:12** ... "you will call upon Me, and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you." **Colossians 3:17** And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

08/13/12 BN - I AM, I AM all, I AM everything, I AM in all things and created all things, I AM all you need, Your life, Your sustenance, I AM in the air you breathe, The food you eat, I AM life...eternal, Never ending and never changing, The only thing you can truly trust, Ponder this, You know I will always be there, I love you.

#### **Summation**

This week the Lord has revealed that He has a plan for each one of us. He has a job for us to do. We are to help others by giving rest. And I can assure you that He wants us to be successful. This is why He added this.

Grab a hold of opportunities. Don't be afraid. They do abound but only through My guidance. Allow Me to lead. This is where success lies. This is your future. Amen!

I think we all can agree that the Lord wants us to take advantage of the opportunities that He presents. He does not want us to become hesitant, nor does He want us, to create the opportunities ourselves. We instead are to allow Him to lead. This, He says, is where success lies by allowing Him to lead. This is

our future. This is the narrow path we are to follow - following His example of obedience, living within the will of the Father. He has emphasized the importance of this type of relationship with Him through words like this:

07/16/12 BT – Start and end your day with Me. And all points in between should be thinking about Me also, do not take this lightly, this is a serious matter. My Bride will be focused on Me always, not just sometimes. Dedication is required. Devotion is required. I must be more important than what you desire, think on this!

08/14/12 BN – My light fills the whole world, All of existence, It cannot be put out or dampened, It drives out the darkness, Let My light into your heart...your spirit, Let it drive out the darkness in you, Be diligent...disciplined...do not give up when you are so close, Time is short, Make the most of it, Use it wisely.

As I began this day I met with the Lord and He said this,

#### 08/15/12 MEETING:

CT- Hour glass, the time is slowly slipping by you. Take advantage of the opportunities given. Take advantage of the time given to read, to study, and pray. Use your time wisely.

Think of Me often. Be reflective of your actions and how they are perceived by Me. Yom Kippur is coming before too much longer. Prepare for Yom Kippur by beginning to be reflective now.

Think, pray, study, endeavor to be the person I made, a unique person with a special purpose, a special plan just for her (bride) yet still reflecting Me. Study is important because this is one of the important ways through which you come to know Me. Amen!

This is why I encourage you so. Our closeness is important or I wouldn't say that it is so.

You can see the parallel themes of closeness to Him and of taking advantage of opportunities we have been given to prepare ourselves for the task ahead, our special purpose, our special plan. The Lord also encouraged us to be reflective of our actions. We are to think about how these are perceived by Him, I believe growth will come through this reflection. Let us continue to grow in Him. Let us continue seeking after this closeness, this oneness that we all desire in Him.

May the Lord Bless and Keep You, Cindy

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