



Lesson 169 Trust

Instantly obey, move forward in obedience. Do not question your faith; no move forward in it. Put effort into our relationship. Study and come to know My ways. Then the sheer number of questions will diminish as confidence grows and takes their place (takes the place of questions). Relationships usually begin slowly but then they grow over time as trust develops, as time is spent in oneness. Therefore spending time with Me, this will encourage the growth of instant obedience, ponder this and then move forward. That is all for now, go in peace.

Introduction

Today's lesson is about trust. At first glance it may appear that obedience is the subject at hand, however, I think if we pause to examine the message in its entirety, then I think we will discover, that this lesson is actually centered-more around the issue of trust, than anything else. I came upon this conclusion after reading and then re-reading the words repeatedly.

What I believe the Lord is revealing here is that we will have fewer question as we move closer to the Lord. We will have fewer questions because we are learning to move in His will (instant obedience) and as we move forward in this, then, things will just naturally make more sense to us because we will be learning His ways as we are going along spending more time, getting to know Him better.

In the bible we are taught to:

Proverbs 3:5 *Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.*

In other words trust in the Lord, follow His guidance, move forward in His ways, as opposed to leaning and moving forward in your own understanding. Therefore, we are encouraged to put our trust in the Lord, because He has plans for you:

Psalms 13:5 *But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.*

Jeremiah 29:11 *For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.*

And just recently the Lord said,

03/09/14 - I AM your home, Reside in Me, Break out, Do not let yourself be trapped, Do not be swayed from My purpose for your life, Release all unto Me so that I might lead.

03/18/14 - For now you may see imperfection, but it shall not always be so. I have a plan and purpose in all that I do. You must have faith in this. I see advantages that you do not, but that does not make them any less so. Take a deep breath and move forward in faith. All is going according to My purposes. Be happy, you are blessed in Jesus name.

03/18/14 - **My ways have purpose / purpose in My Kingdom / man's ways have self in them.**

03/19/14 - Make time for Me. There is nothing more important than your relationship with Me. I AM eternal. Our relationship is eternal. Be yielded to My will. I have a purpose and a plan for you. My plan is perfect. Man does not always understand this. You need not understand; you only need faith. Total faith in Me and My plan with a yielded soul will produce the desired result.

03/19/14 - My Plans and My Purposes come to pass. Have faith, remain yielded to Me. My desire is for your good and that you prosper as you move forward with Me. Come, therefore, and meet with Me, walking steadfastly with Your God Jesus. In this I will be well pleased. I will lead and guide you, never fear, I AM always with you. That is all for now, go in peace remembering this.

Therefore, let's move forward in the lesson discovering more about putting our trust in the Lord.

Instant Obedience

In the introduction section of the lesson we learned that the Lord has a plan and a purpose for each one of us and that we should put our trust in Him to lead us toward them. What He taught us is that our trust will increase as we grow closer to Him. The first element that will help us move towards this is:

Instantly obey, move forward in obedience.

But you may be thinking **instant obedience**, that's not for me. In other words you may find it difficult to follow instructions? Or have you ever wanted to do things your own way instead of another's? Have you ever wondered why you have to do it like this?

Well, what the Lord is teaching us here is that **instant obedience** will be profitable for you if you decide to move forward in it. He has offered you His assurances of this. Remember Him saying that, His desire is for your good and that you prosper and that He has *plans for your welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope*. **Instant obedience** will help you find this. He has, in fact, encouraged this a lot over the recent past, for example,

12/17/13 - **Follow My lead; instantly obey; all I say or ask.**

02/25/14 - **Tend to your purposes.**

03/04/14 - **Instant obedience; the time is now.**

03/05/14 - Each day brings new purposes and new challenges. Seek Me first as you move through each day. Seek My answers, solutions, and direction for challenges. Seek My guidance and will for each new purpose. Always seek Me out. But realize too that you don't have to go far because I AM always with you. I AM always there offering My help and guidance. Open your eyes, your ears, your hearts to Me and receive that which I give. In this you will be well pleased.

03/07/14 - **Stay focused on the tasks I give you; they must be carried out/ Everything is given for a purpose.**

03/08/14 - **Favor on My saints walk in it, My Mercy extended for all who believe Me for it/ Walk in Power and Authority, Exercise correctly doing as I say/ More will be given with instant obedience.**

And here are a couple of stories of **instant obedience** that can be found in the bible. Do you remember, for example, the story of Jesus walking on the seashore as He encountered Simon and Andrew? The story goes like this:

Mark 1:16-20 *And as He walked by the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. Then Jesus said to them, “**Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men.**” They immediately left their nets and followed Him. When He had gone a little farther from there, He saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who also were in the boat mending their nets. And immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants, and went after Him.*

This story illustrates the disciples walking in **instant obedience** doesn't it? The Lord had a plan and a purpose for each one of them didn't He? And they walked it out with Him. They stepped out in faith and followed Him. What we need to take from this story then is that, just as the Lord had a plan for each one of them, He has a plan for you, too! We just have to step out in faith, trusting the Lord and follow Him just as the disciples did.

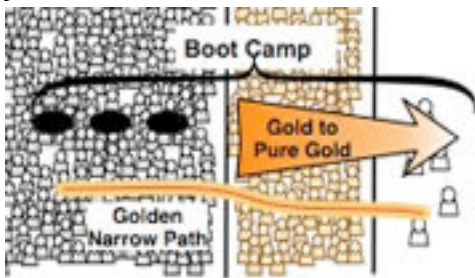
And how about the story of the paralyzed man from Lydda, if you recall Peter was moving through the countryside when he came upon a paralyzed man and He told Him to get up. Peter at the moment was acting as an instrument of the Lord and the instructions he gave were coming from Him. The story goes like this:

Acts 9:32-35 *Now it came to pass, as Peter went through all parts of the country, that he also came down to the saints who dwelt in Lydda. There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus the Christ heals you. Arise and make your bed." Then he arose immediately. So all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord.*

The paralyzed man stepped out in faith and instantly obeyed the Lord, who then moved through Peter to heal the man. The Lord had a plan and a purpose in this and it was for the man's good.

In several of our recent lessons we talked about the illustration that the Lord gave Prophet Roy. It showed people moving from disobedience to obedience in the Lord. Through this illustration the Lord has taught us that:

The transparent people on the right have surrendered their will to the Lord. The people in the gold section are learning to do that. The people on the right are fulfilling the law of sacrifice at a very high level. The people in the gold section are learning to do that. When a person enters a military boot camp in a country, the military starts causing the person to surrender their will to the will of the military. It is really a learned thing to serve a country that way. It's the same in the *Lord's Boot Camp*. He won't make anyone join, but to serve Him



we must get rid of "self" and learn His ways and walk in them. We must learn instant obedience.

If we want to move forward with the Lord, then we must **move forward in obedience**. This is the first element to be learned from today's lesson.

Matthew 16:24 *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.*

Confidence Grows

In the preceding sections of the lesson we learned that the Lord has a plan and a purpose for each one of us that we should move forward in. We also learned the importance of putting our trust in Him to lead us toward these. But in addition to this we discussed the first element of **instant obedience** as well. And now in this second section of the lesson we will examine these words from the Lord, where He said:

Do not question your faith; no move forward in it. Put effort into our relationship. Study and come to know My ways. Then the sheer number of questions will diminish as confidence grows and takes their place(takes the place of questions).

Therefore, in this section we will be discussing the second element which is that of confidence. But what is confidence? Well, if you look it up in the dictionary it would say:

Confidence:

- full trust, belief in the powers, trustworthiness, or reliability of a person or thing
- belief in oneself and one's powers or abilities; self-confidence, self-reliance; assurance
- certitude; assurance

Therefore in this regard confidence means trust. It is belief in another. And what the Lord said here is that as your confidence grows then you will have fewer and fewer questions but that does not discount the fact that you will have questions as you step out in faith. For example,

10/26/13 - **Many things coming into play / MY doing / remember all that I have told you / do your part / ask questions / every day a new day in ME.**

11/29/13 - **Lift up questions to me / seek me out.**

01/02/14 - **Flowchart is answer key. Match answers with questions.**

01/03/14 - **Come to Me with your questions, I will show you.**

03/13/14 - **To all questions I have the answer.**

So what we learned here is that most questions are okay but we never want to question our faith. This is because having confidence and trust in the Lord is of the utmost importance, for example, in the bible we read:

2 Samuel 22:2-4 *“The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; the God of my strength, in whom I will trust; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge; my Savior, You save me from violence. I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised; so shall I be saved from my enemies.”*

Psalms 118:8 *It is better to trust in the Lord Than to put confidence in man.*

Proverbs 3:26 *For the Lord will be your confidence, And will keep your foot from being caught.*

Hebrews 10:35-36 *Therefore, do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise...*

Basically, these verses are encouraging us to get rid of any doubts that we might have. In recent days the Lord has had this to say about doubts:

02/23/14 - **No room for doubt, only believe.**

03/02/14 - Trust Me in all situations/ My Bride is coming into new found territory/ More responsibility will be added with it/ With more responsibility comes greater rewards/ I need you in the earth/ Fight my fight with Me/ Will you do? We are victorious together never doubt.

03/02/14 - **Move forward gradually much I have for each to do/ Every detail important miss none/ This is leading up to something big/ Do not doubt what I am about to do/ I will use each to bring My plan about.**

03/10/14 - **Excel; at My pace; with My Power; sure in purpose; keep doubt out; listen to My words; second-guess not.**

03/12/14 - **Enter into My Kingdom. I have set before you the way. Walk in it. Never doubt. Never look back. All is well.**

Therefore, it is critically important to maintain our confidence in the Lord and that is why we should not question our faith nor have any doubts:

February 22nd God Calling - You *must* trust Me wholly. This lesson has to be learnt. You shall be helped, you shall be led, guided, continually. The children of Israel would long before have entered the Promised Land -- only their doubts and fears continually drove them back into the wilderness. Remember always, doubts delay. Are you trusting all to Me or not?

I have told you how to live and you must do it. My children, I love you. Trust My tender Love. It will never fail you, but you must learn not to fail it.

Oh! could you see, you would understand. You have much to learn in turning out fear and being at peace. All your doubts arrest My work. You must not doubt. I died to save you from sin and doubt and worry. You must believe in Me absolutely.

May 12th God Calling - Turn out all thoughts of doubt and of trouble. Never tolerate them for one second. Bar the windows and doors of your souls against them as you would bar your home against a thief who would steal in to take your treasures. What greater treasures can you have than Peace and Rest and Joy? And these are all stolen from you by doubt and fear and despair.

Yes, of doubt the Lord has said,

James 1:6-8 *Let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord, he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.*

There in this section of the lesson we learned that confidence means trust. It is belief in another. It is belief in the Lord. And what the Lord said here is that as your confidence grows in Him then you will have fewer and fewer questions arise. But when they do pop up **Lift up your questions** to Him, He will **have the answer**.

As Trust Develops

In the last section of the lesson we learned about confidence versus doubts and questions but we also learned about trust too! In this section of the lesson we will look at how your relationship with Him fits into this picture as well. This element of today's message was delivered through these words:

Relationships usually begin slowly but then they grow over time as trust develops, as time is spent in oneness. Therefore spending time with Me, this will encourage the growth of instant obedience, ponder this and then move forward.

Consequently, trust remains an important element in today's lesson. In this section we will see how trust impacts relationship and vice versa. What we will discover is that your relationship with another will grow as trust grows. **Therefore spending time with the Lord is important because it will facilitate our trust and growth in the Lord.** You may, in fact, remember these words from above:

03/19/14 - Make time for Me. There is nothing more important than your relationship with Me. I AM eternal. Our relationship is eternal. Be yielded to My will. I have a purpose and a plan for you. My plan is perfect. Man does not always understand this. You need not understand; you only need faith. Total faith in Me and My plan with a yielded soul will produce the desired result.

What these words tell you is that there is nothing more important than building a relationship with the Lord and this takes time for it to happen. But what He also tells us here, too, is that trust is involved. Confidence in Him is critical. It ties together all the elements we have been talking about thus far.

Also when the Lord was describing our relationship with Him He used the term “oneness” as a descriptor of it. I believe this “oneness” is meaningful because He has mentioned it before on several occasions, for example:

09/14/13 - Pleasing you are, to dwell with Me, this brings oneness; commune with Me in the Spirit. This is a time of peace and fellowship. Know this brings us closer together. Dedicate this time to Me. I desire your dedication to Me. We will be one body united together under My leadership.

11/19/13 - Flow with Me in oneness.

11/22/13 - Relax/ Enjoy your time with Me/ Reach out, let Me feel you Connect/ Oneness is awesome with My saints who love Me/ There is no pressure when We meet/ This is a time of enjoyable fellowship/ This builds Our relationship/ I long to dwell with man/ See Me as King and Friend/ More than just a companion but humble as one who walks daily with you/ United We are. Relationships are important/ Would you neglect the ones you love?/ Then you must not neglect Me/ I long for your all greatly/ I get excited to meet with My Beloved/ This is something I have longed for/ Do not deny Me the opportunity to meet with you/ This is important on many levels/ Set aside time each day for fellowship with Me/ Come and be filled by Me.

12/19/13 - Prize your time with Me. Prize our unity. Prize our oneness.

12/21/13 - Prepare; adventure; with Me; lay no holds on your minds; let Me adjust; I am bonding; into oneness; unique; Brilliant.

Therefore oneness with the Lord is essential. It’s a goal we should be reaching for. And it is important because it not only affects the amount of trust we have, our confidence in the Lord but it’s also important because it leads us towards that same **instant obedience** that we spoke of earlier. It’s like we have come around full circle because we

have learned that it all revolves around that very same trust that was mentioned previously. It's just as the Lord said,

Relationships usually begin slowly but then they grow over time as trust develops, as time is spent in oneness. Therefore spending time with Me, this will encourage the growth of instant obedience, ponder this and then move forward.

And one final note on having "oneness" with the Lord, comes from the two listeners who received this:

September 7th God Calling - The human heart craves a Leader, one whose will it delights to obey. It craves a oneness of aim and achievement with a loved one. It craves to be understood. It craves to reveal itself without reservations and to gain only strength thereby. To gain, too, an ever more intimate revelation of the heart of the loved one. Where can the heart of man find satisfaction as with Me?

Therefore, I must put this question to you, "Where could man find a greater satisfaction than with that found in the Lord?" I think the answer to that question is nowhere. And that is why spending time with Him is valuable pursuit to follow!

Summation

Today's lesson has been about trust. At first glance it might have appeared that obedience was the topic at hand, however, what we discovered is that this lesson was actually centered-more around the issue of trust, than anything else. I came upon this conclusion after reading and re-reading the words repeatedly.

What I came to understand from the Lord is that we will have fewer questions as we move closer to Him. We will have fewer questions because we are learning to move in His will (**instant obedience**) and as we move forward in this, then, things will just naturally make more sense to us because we will be learning His ways as we are going along spending more time, getting to know Him better.

In today's lesson we essentially learned that it is more important to move forward in Him than to move forward in self. Therefore, we were encouraged to put our trust in the Lord, because He has plans and purposes for each one of us.

Now one of the first elements that the Lord taught us about today was that of **instant obedience** and how it will be profitable for you as you decide to move forward in it. We learned that He has offered us His assurances of this. Remember Him saying that,

His desire is for your good and that you prosper and that He has *plans* for your *welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope*. **Instant obedience** will help you find this.

Another element we learned about in this lesson was that of confidence and what we learned is that confidence means trust. It is belief in another. It is belief in the Lord. And what the Lord taught us here is that as your confidence grows in Him then you will have fewer and fewer questions arise. But when questions do pop up then we should **Lift them up** to the Lord and we can be assured that He will **have the answer**.

Therefore, what we learned from today's lesson is that there is nothing more important than building a relationship with the Lord. Through today's lesson the Lord taught us that trust and confidence are critical to this endeavor. He delivered this message to us today through this:

Instantly obey, move forward in obedience. Do not question your faith; no move forward in it. Put effort into our relationship. Study and come to know My ways. Then the sheer number of questions will diminish as confidence grows and takes their (questions) place. Relationships usually begin slowly but then they grow over time as trust develops, as time is spent in oneness. Therefore spending time with Me, this will encourage the growth of instant obedience, ponder this and then move forward. That is all for now, go in peace.

And one final note for you to remember is that no relationship will be successful unless you are will to put forth effort into it. Therefore, **Study and come to know** the Lord's **ways** and in this you will be well pleased.

May the Lord Bless you in this,
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