



Lesson 40 - Treasures

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Beautiful light. What about? Beautiful light encompasses you. My presence is with you. April showers will come. Storm, disturbances but I am with you.

Persuade others to listen to the truth. Hunger. There are many people who are hungry, treasure your blessings. Be a light, demonstrate faith in all of your walks. It gives hope; that's one of your jobs, to demonstrate faith and hope in your Lord and Savior. You are watched even though you don't realize it. Your faith and hope are on display. A sweet gentle spirit is what they will need. I am protecting you. Be thankful. Sing praises to the Lord for all you have been given.

Treasure your blessings

When I first read these words that the Lord gave us I was thinking about material blessings. I guess that's because I certainly feel blessed in the material sense and I guess it is also because in the preceding sentence the Lord said, **Hunger. There are many people who are hungry.** Again, I was thinking materially because of the economy, loss of jobs and the overall dire situations many people are currently in. However, I have come to understand the Lord was talking about the spirit realm. Yes, people are hungry but they are hungry for the truth. People are hungry for righteousness and goodness and they are hungry for a relationship. So when He said, **"treasure your blessings"** He was saying treasure this faith and hope you have; and more importantly treasure this relationship you have with Me. It is something others long for yet do not know how to get it.

Therefore, I believe all the words the Lord gave us on the 27th are regarding the spiritual realm as opposed to the material realm.

Be a light, demonstrate faith in all of your walks

Luke 11:33-36

"No one, when he has lit a lamp, puts it in a secret place or under a basket, but on a lampstand, that those who come in may see the light. The lamp of the body is the eye. Therefore, when your eye is good, your whole body also is full of light. But when your eye is bad, your body also is full of darkness. Therefore take heed that the light which is in you is not darkness. If then your whole body is full of light, having no part dark, the whole body will be full of light, as when the bright shining of a lamp gives you light."

The Lord tells us that our light gives hope and it is one of our jobs to demonstrate this hope and our faith in the Lord. These verses above reaffirm that we are to let our light shine. **You are watched even though you don't realize it. Your faith and hope are on display.** Since we are on display we want to be our best; shining before men to glorify the Father. But He also warns us against darkness. He states, **'when your eye is bad, your body is also full of darkness'**. This is a warning not to open the doors to any darkness or the enemy. **Proverbs**

5:22 states: *His own iniquities entrap the wicked man, and he is caught in the cords of his sin.* The lawlessness and sins which we perform allows the enemy to legally come into our lives. Thus obedience to the Lord's commands is vitally important as it protects you from the enemy. How can we set people off on the right path if we ourselves have been led astray? How can we demonstrate the light when there is darkness in us.

Matthew 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

The Lord says *"A sweet gentle spirit is what they will need"*. A gentle spirit is what most people are looking for; someone they can trust, a person to count on, a demonstration of your Father's love and compassion; a comfort in hard times.

1 Thessalonians 5:5-11

You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep, as night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith, and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.

Be obedient and acceptable to the Lord demonstrating the light as He has asked you.

Ephesians 5:8-10

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.

I feel the Lord wants us to be vigilant about our walk in the light steering clear of any obstacles the enemy may try to put in our path. We are to be filled with the fruits of the Spirit and it is this infilling that is the light others see. These fruits of the Spirit: goodness, righteousness, and truth are reflections of the Father in you. So instead of opening the door to the enemy you have chosen to open the door to the Lord. You have invited Him in to live in yourself. You have become the temple of the Lord. The lights are on and He is at home in you. This is the light you are to demonstrate for others.

Remember in the lesson last week we talked about our body as the temple of the Lord and as such we have three parts just as the temple did. Your flesh, mind or soul, and the spirit make up the three parts. The flesh is the outer court of the temple. The mind or soul is the inner chamber of the temple and the spirit is the holy of holies or the place where the spirit dwells. But which spirit are you inviting in - light or darkness? This is where the understanding of how your thoughts and actions effect your spirit come into play. From the THH website <http://www.takehisheart.com/satandevil.htm> we learn about opening doors to enemy through the following discussion of Judas:

Satan's opening into Judas' mind was the fact that Judas was already a thief. Wealth (lust of money) is a care of this world! Judas didn't receive the idea to betray Jesus just to betray Him! He received the idea to betray Jesus because of what was already in him; he wanted money,

power, prominence (desires already in him)! Lust was the opening to those particular betrayal thoughts. Judas had been stealing from the bag of money all the time, but now the devil had planted a new idea (seed) in his head/heart. Because Judas accepted the thought, Satan was able to come in and **actually bewitch** (hypnotize - mesmerize - spell bind - immerse - curse - enchant - possess - captivate - occupy) **his mind!**

Judas' own iniquities (lawlessness, sins) already performed (already in him), allowed the enemy to come in legally, take control and keep him prisoner!

What did Jesus tell us? **Therefore take heed that the light which is in you is not darkness.** Following after your own will, ignoring the Lord's commands leads you to a life in darkness. And don't forget **Proverbs 5:22** from above: *His own iniquities entrap the wicked man, and he is caught in the cords of his sin.*

In March 1st of the [God Calling](#) book the Lord states:

I always hear your cry. No sound escapes Me. Many, Many in the world cry to Me, but oh! How few wait to hear Me speak to them and yet to the soul, My speaking to it matters so much.

My words are Life. Think then, to hear Me speak is to find Life, and healing and strength. Trust Me in all things. Love showered on all brings truly a quick return.

Just carry out My wishes and leave Me to carry out yours. Treat Me as Savior and King, but also with the tender intimacy of One much beloved.

Keep to the rules I have laid down for you, persistently, perseveringly, lovingly, patiently, hopefully, and in faith, and every mountain of difficulty shall be laid low, the rough places of poverty shall be made smooth, and all who know you shall know that I, your Lord, am the Lord. Shower love.

But I think a good way to sum all this up is to read what the Lord says in the [God Calling](#) book for February 28th which states:

Spend more time alone with Me.

A strength and a Joy come from such times that will add much to your friendship, and much to your work.

Times of prayer are times of growth. Cut those times short and many well-filled hours of work may be profitless. Heaven's values are so different from the values of earth.

(Heaven's treasures)

Remember that from the point of view of the Great Worker, one poor tool, working all the time, but doing bad work, is of small value compared with the sharp, keen, perfect instrument, used only a short time but which turns out perfect work.

Choose to open the door to the Lord so that you can: Be a light and demonstrate faith in all of your walks. It gives hope; that's one of your jobs, to demonstrate faith and hope in your Lord and Savior. Amen!

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