Lesson 29 - An Individual Relationship

12/15/2010 MEETING: PRESENT – I AM, Bob and Cindy

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Amen.

We then sang “Because of You” – song #4 on the Take His Heart website.

Relationship

This lesson concerns having an individual relationship with The Lord. It is about recognizing Him as the King of Kings; giving Him the honor and respect due The King and it is about love and commitment. And what do love and commitment lead to but marriage. The Lord told us “Build this and I will romance the Bride.”

He does not want our creations, “I do not want your extravagant trappings”

He wants what He has created, “What I want is you; your heart, your soul, your mind. You. The person I made.”

We should always remember we are talking about the King of the Universe - The creator of all things, the creator of you and me. The Bible states in Isaiah 66:1-2a

“Heaven is My throne, and earth is My footstool. Where is the house that you will build Me? And where is the place of My rest? For all those things My hand has made, and all those things exist,” says the Lord.”

These verses are important to our lesson because they reinforce two facts. Number one: The Lord is the creator of all things (including yourself) and Number two: God’s creations are glorious and holy for God is holy. Man’s creations pale in comparison to His.

Leviticus 11:44a

“For I am the Lord your God, you shall therefore consecrate yourselves, and you shall be holy; for I am holy.”

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Many times we try to make what God has created better with extravagant trappings of our own design. (Trappings definition – outward decoration and dress) But The Lord reminded us of the original Apostles and what they used. According to The Lord the apostles used their minds and hearts not extravagant trappings. In other words, they used what The Lord created. This is because what The Lord created is holy - you shall be holy; for I am holy”. Likewise, He wants you to use your heart, your soul and your mind in relationship with Him. He wants you to give them to Him. You see the Lord understands it is through this type of closeness and intimacy that a marriage is created. “What I want is you; your heart, your soul, your mind. You. The person I made.” Relationship does not come from polish and finery; but from knowing, knowing His heart and knowing His will for each one of us. This is what He wants for each one of us.

Here are some of the words the Lord has given us in the past regarding intimacy:

11/11/2008 BT- Part of Flow Charting (Journaling) is a deterrent to sin. The flow chart 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 flow chart. 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.

10/07/09 CT- Life is not empty with The Lord. Partnership; union; and the two were one. Marriage intimacy is private. It is a blessing. Trust, love, joy, fulfillment, & passion. Be aglow with this relationship.

12/13/09 CT - What is passion but desire, I desire (a longing) you to be mine; and you likewise desire to be mine. Relationship and intimacy come from this desire. Relationship and elements mixing are by-products. Why do you think it is called communion? Think about this and open your mind to it. Are you open to receiving this truth? Push your horizons to understanding this. Is intimacy lacking? Fulfillment follows intimacy.

Intimate – Intrinsic, essential; belonging to or characterizing one’s deepest nature; 2) marked by very close association, contact or familiarity 3) marked by a warm friendship developing through long association; suggesting informal warmth or privacy 4) of a very personal or private nature.
Communion – The act or instance of sharing; 2) a Christian sacrament in which consecrated bread and wine are consumed as memorials of Christ's death or as symbols for the realization of a spiritual union between Christ and communicant or as the body and blood of Christ; b: the act of receiving Communion c: the part of a Communion service in which the sacrament is received 3) intimate fellowship or sharing; 4) a body of Christians having a common faith and discipline. Commune – 1) to communicate intimately.

At this point I would like to repeat this, Relationship does not come from polish and finery; but from knowing, knowing His heart and knowing His will for each one of us. It comes from a longing, a desire for the other. What I want is you; your heart, your soul, your mind. You. The person I made.
**Suspend outside influences**

Last week we talked about “fashion plates” after the Lord said, Fashion plate.  Don’t be a fashion plate for what is in style in the world.  Reflect me and what I am doing.  We learned that the definition of fashion is - Conforming to custom, fashion or the established mode.  Basically, the Lord taught us that we should not follow after the things of the world or after the religious traditions of man i.e. “fashion plates”.  Similarly, this week He spoke of “extravagant trappings”.

I think the Lord is reinforcing the picture He gave us last week through the words, “extravagant trappings” from this week.  I think “extravagant trappings” are like “fashion plates” in that they both take our focus away from the Lord and what He is doing in the here and now.

**1 John 2:15** *Do not love the world or the things in the world.*

Do not love world and the things of the world instead be acceptable to God.

**Romans 12: 1-2**

*I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.  And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*

Do not conform to the world, be holy, be what I made.

In the article “**Called Out for a Purpose**” [http://www.takehisheart.com/pdf/calledout.pdf] The Lord states My ways are not your ways and they are much better.  And He goes on to say: My people are dying at the hands of the enemy because of harlotry in their churches.  It is an open door. Look around! Cathedral mentality is not My way and not in My order of doing things.  I WILL, says the Lord, have a spotless Bride who walks in My order of doing things.

The Lord is asking us to be obedient to Him.  He is asking us to follow after His ways.  In the words above He said that “cathedral mentality” is not His way; but what is this “cathedral mentality”?  Well, it is found in churches.  Those with it have doctrines for her own purposes, she (the church) has caused her people to look at her and her purposes, not Me and MY purposes.  This “cathedral mentality” is about building herself up, glorifying the church as opposed to glorifying the Lord.  Jesus, however, did just the opposite.  He glorified the Lord not the church.

The Lord teaches us line upon line; putting a picture together for us.  And the picture He is painting for us now is to not follow after the traditions of man, to not conform to the world or harlotrous churches but instead be the person He created.  Be a holy creation of God seeking after a loving and committed and intimate relationship with the Lord not the church.  A bride is attentive to the groom!

The Lord said, Suspend.  Suspend outside influences.  Stop them.  Now is the time for relationship.  Remember, the world’s idea of relationship and success does not conform with the Lord’s ways.  His ways are much better.
We found out last week that the definition of an Apostle is a person who initiates a great moral reform or who first advocates an important belief or system. The Lord is preparing His Apostles. This is why He does not want us to be “fashion plates”. This is why He wants us to Suspend outside influences. It is because He is preparing His people through the Book of Remembrance.

From the Take His Heart website: http://www.takehisheart.com/allegoriesbookofremembrance.htm

**Book of Remembrance**

We mentioned in the movie presentation, *Demonstration of God’s Covenant*, the *Book of Remembrance* God promised for those who fear Him in the book of Malachi. It is important to understand what the *Book of Remembrance* is and how it relates to this site.

**Malachi 3**

16 Then they that feared the Lord spoke often one to another: and the Lord listened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought on his name. 17 And they shall be mine, said the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spares his own son that serves him. 18 Then shall you return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serves God and him that serves him not.

In the Bible, **the day that the Lord makes up His jewels refers to His Spotless Bride**, the *Day of the Lord*, which we have all entered into whether we believe it or not. A *Book of Remembrance* is a book about something lost or forgotten. Years ago the Lord spoke to us about principles of His Covenant being lost over time. So we see why God revealed that a picture needed to be repainted that existed in King James time. That refurbished concave picture in the mural vision is the *Book of Remembrance* God promised in His Word.

The time is now; the Lord is preparing His jewels. Our obedience is required.

**Summation**

In this lesson the Lord has taught us that a true relationship with Him does not come from polish and finery; but from knowing Him. It comes from a deep desire within us to get to know Him and His ways; knowing His heart and knowing His will for each one of us. It is a union full of Trust, love, joy, fulfillment, & passion. It is a spiritual and intimate union of communication and sharing. The Lord said, What I want is you; your heart, your soul, your mind. You. The person I made.

We learned that this type of relationship; however, is only possible through the suspension of worldly influence. He wants us to discard the traditions of man, the cathedral mentality to learn His ways. And we learned that learning His ways is possible through the Book of Remembrance.

We must relearn those things that have been lost over time. Therefore, do not be a fashion plate for the world. Do not conform to the traditions of men. Follow after The Lord and His ways. Be the person He created you to be.
Ephesians 2:8-10 
For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

This is how the bride will come forth. This is how our marriage relationship will commence. Have eyes for Me. Build this and I will romance the Bride.

Matthew 22:37 
Jesus said to him, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment.”

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May the Lord Bless and Keep You,

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