Lesson 80  I Have a Glorious Plan
March 14, 2012

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Episodes, smooth the rough edges. Keep it flowing. Transition into what it is that I want you to be. Read, read, read; how many times must I say this. You are on the correct path, you just have to smooth out the rough edges. The reading will help you with this because you will be filling yourself with Me. No one is perfect all need refinement. You are being refined in the name of Jesus - Your Lord, Your Master, Your King. Amen!

The Lord is One

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“Now this is the commandment, and these are the statutes and judgments which the Lord your God has commanded to teach you, that you may observe them in the land which you are crossing over to possess, that you may fear the LORD your God, to keep all His statutes and His commandments which I command you, you and your son and your grandson, all the days of your life, and that your days may be prolonged. Therefore hear, O Israel, and be careful to observe it, that it may be well with you, and that you may multiply greatly as the LORD God of your fathers has promised you—‘a land flowing with milk and honey’.

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! You shall love the LORD your GOD with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

A lawyer came to Jesus one day and he asked Jesus a question:

Matthew 22:36-40
“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?” Jesus said to him, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”
Jesus believed Deuteronomy 6:5 to be the greatest commandment in the bible. Many Jews even to this day begin and end their day by reciting from Deuteronomy 6:4-9. I believe they refer to this practice as Shema Yisrael. These verses are considered to be the most important part of their daily prayer services; particularly verse 4 where it says, *Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one!* In this sentence they are giving testimony to the Lord and affirming their belief in Him.

Similarly, the Lord gave us these words this week: *The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord with all your heart, all your soul and all your mind.* He seemed to be quoting scripture for us didn’t He!

**Put the Lord First**

He followed this thought (of loving the Lord) with words about putting Him first. He said, *You shall put the Lord first before man.* That’s pretty straight forward isn’t it? I believe the Lord is reminding us with these words of the place He is to hold within our hearts. The Lord, you see, should hold that first spot before man, woman or child. He should be first.

In the bible we are told of putting God first through verses like these:

**Exodus 20: 3** “You shall have no other gods before Me.”

**Matthew 6:19-21** “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where you treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**Matthew 6:33** “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”

**Romans 8:5** For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.

**Colossians 3:1-3** If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. *For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.*

These words teach us that the Lord is to come first before any earthly treasure whether that treasure is another human being or jewels. It doesn’t matter we just need to remember, *The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord with all your heart, all your soul and all your mind.* And you shall put the Lord first before man.

And from THH http://www.takehisheart.com/relishrefinementprotection.htm the Lord said this, **Psalms 50: 2 - 5**

*Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined. Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him. He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people. Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.*

Here is an example of part of the sacrifice expected, and revealed in a prophetic word given 12-17-1989 here at Take His Heart. *Is your mind set to what I’ve called you to do? Do you put it in 1st place? Or do you put your thing in priority?*

We should always give the Lord our top priority.
Obedience and Temperance

But you may sit and reflect on this and ask yourself, “Am I giving the Lord my priority”? How do I do this? I think the Lord helps to clarify this through these words we received this week, Honor and blessings abound, as well as, acknowledgement for obedience. Temperance, keep the world at bay. We can see from these words that the answer lies in temperance and obedience. And we can compare this message to these verses from the Bible.

Matthew 6:24 "No one can serve two masters’ for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

2 Timothy 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Colossians 3:23-25 And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance, for you serve the Lord Christ. But he who does wrong will be repaid for what he has done, and there is no partiality.

Ephesians 6:5-8 Bondservants, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in sincerity of heart, as to Christ; not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, with goodwill doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men, knowing that whatever good anyone does, he will receive the same from the Lord, whether he is a slave or free.

I think that you all probably remember that the Lord has spoken to us on multiple occasions advising us to keep the doors closed to the enemy. This week He said, Temperance, keep the world at bay. Temperance is defined as moderation or self-restraint in action, statement, etc.; self-control; habitual moderation in the indulgence of a natural appetite or passion. We can gather from putting all of this together that we are to keep the world’s influence over us put away through self-control and self-restraint. We are not to indulge any “natural” or worldly passions. Instead we are to:

Ephesians 4:25-5:2 Therefore, putting away lying, “Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,” for we are members of one another. “Be angry, and do not sin”: do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil. Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need. Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. 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.

You can see from the words above that worldly passions are not limited to our love of video games, television, drugs or alcohol. No, lying, anger, fornication, gossip etc. these are worldly passions as well aren’t they? The word, however, says be imitators of God, walk in love. Paul also says it this way:
Romans 6:16 Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one’s slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?

Therefore we want to demonstrate our love to the Lord. We want to put the Lord first giving Him our priority through obedience and temperance.

Deuteronomy 30:14-16 “But the word is very near you, in your mouth, and in your heart, that you may do it. See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil, in that I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the LORD your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess.

Yes, the Lord will bless you as you walk in His ways. Just this week He said, Honor and blessings abound, as well as, acknowledgement for obedience.

His Plan

Sometimes, however, as much as we want to be obedient we try to figure things out ourselves don’t we? We attempt to make plans that ultimately we must acknowledge as being our plans not the Lord’s plans. But the Lord said, Hear Me My child, all will be well with you, fret not, I have a glorious plan. I AM in control. Except why is it that we hate to relinquish control so much? That is after all part of obedience is it not, relinquishing control I mean. From THH the Lord gave this http://www.takehisheart.com/relishrefinementprotection.htm:

Do not place greatest importance on your plans. Place greatest importance on My plans....

it continues on a little further down that page and says:

The Lord wants to refine His people who are called for His purposes. On 12-26-2006, the Lord told us to, relish refinement, and on 1-22-2007, He said to, anticipate perfection.

Psalms 50: 2
Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.

God’s plans are perfect because He is perfect. Part of His plan includes our refinement. In the words above we read that the perfection of beauty comes out of Zion. This is part of His refinement plan. This is because the Lord’s laws, commandments and judgments are kept at Zion. Therefore, this perfection of beauty, this refinement will come through obedience unto the Lord and His laws, commandments and judgments that are kept at Zion.

Smooth the Rough Edges

After reading these words it could be easy to get discouraged. We are all so human that it seems like we are constantly slipping up. Our intentions are noble and good. It is our desire to be pleasing to the Lord. We want to be obedient. We want to walk in His ways. We want to submit to Him but we just slip up sometimes don’t we? We make plans without even thinking about it really.
The Lord said: No one is perfect all need refinement. So even though He is saying no one is perfect you can still feel His encouragement can’t you, I can! He said, Episodes, smooth the rough edges. Keep it flowing. Transition into what it is that I want you to be. Yes, He is encouraging us in the here and now. He is encouraging us to smooth out our trouble spots, to keep working at it, and to transition into what He wants us to be. Transition means movement, passage, or change from one position, state, stage, subject, or concept etc. to another. To change. Although His encouragement and guidance does not stop there, He continues with this: You are on the correct path, you just have to smooth out the rough edges. The reading (the bible, THH, your flow books) will help you with this because you will be filling yourself with Me.

In other words He is telling us that focusing on Him and His words, giving them the attention they so richly deserve will help smooth out the rough edges that you and I have. It will help with our refinement. You remember the old saying, “You are what you eat.” Well, this is very similar to that, in that by filling yourself with the Lord and/or His message, this is much better than filling yourself with those distractions we mentioned earlier (i.e. television, video games, gossip, fornication, drugs, alcohol or whatever).

Remember the Lord said, You are being refined in the name of Jesus - Your Lord, Your Master, Your King.

Summation

We began this lesson by acknowledging that the Lord our God is one. We came to understand that He has a plan for each and every one of us. We know His plan is perfect because He is God. We do realize, however, that many times we get in the way and He has to come and refine us, smooth the rough edges so to speak. But through obedience and temperance we can grow into the people He would have us to be. We also learned that many begin and end each day by reading this passage from the book of Deuteronomy. Jesus himself declared this to be the greatest commandment of all.

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And here are some additional words received this week that go along with this message. I believe these words not only offer guidance towards refinement but I believe they are encouraging as well.
Additional Words

03/07/12 MVA - Attitude of obedience. Knowing I have an awesome plan for your life. See My purpose come to pass in your life. Precious jewel made and displayed. My purpose fulfilled in you.

03/07/12 SN - Come forth bride, Walk with me, I will lead and you will follow, Do all of this that I say.

03/08/12 MVA - Purity refinement have rewards.

03/08/12 SN - My ways take time, Be patient, Love me by being obedient. Study my word.

03/09/12 SN - Today I need you to know that I am God, The one who is and was and is to come.

03/10/12 DP - Intense refinement taking place receive all correction. My time is now to be glorified in My saints you must be apart. Follow My commands and you shall live/prosper.

03/10/12 BN - Those who suffer for me shall be rewarded, Jesus will lead you, Follow Him in everything. I need you to focus, Focus on me, Not on the things of this world, I am the only truth that you need, Seek the truth from me, I love you my son, Do not be hard on yourself, Cleanse yourself of impurities.

03/11/12 DP - Refinement ongoing. Take pleasure in refinement. My child you must continue to grow and refine. I have a plan and purpose for your life fulfill all that is set before you.

03/11/12 BN - I know it can seem confusing that I would say to come boldly before the Lord yet to be humble. You are to feel comfortable in my presence but also to know that you are my servant. Take down every word that I give you that you may share it with others. Do not presume that you will know what I will say. Do not put words in my mouth. I rebuke you not because I am angry, but to refine you to do my will.

03/11/12 SN - A course is charted out before it is taken, Know my word stands.

03/12/12 MVA - Allowing and believing My plan for your life is purpose for you releases My power to accomplish. I have purpose in all. Direction and guidance from your God Jesus. Bring My plan to fulfillment requires effort and refinement on your part. Follow as I lead you to My purpose. Stay grounded in My Word. Time in My Word builds strength imparts power yes My Jesus power.

03/12/12 SN - Always take my hand, I will lead and you will follow.

03/13/12 SN - Pursue me, Follow me, I will lead and you will follow.

03/14/12 MVA - Wait on My instructions as I bring you through refinement. Topsy-turvy. Look to Me Jesus and Me only. Stay grounded in My Word. I make the unknown known. Guardian. Guidance, My Word is guidance look to My Word. Stay focused. Do not run ahead do not lag behind. Walk with your God Jesus. I have an amazing plan and purpose for your life. Walk with Me Jesus as I bring to fulfillment.

Let’s close by re-reading the words the Lord gave this week.

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May The Lord Bless and Keep You,
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