

Seeking God's Face

"My heart says of you, "Seek His face!" Your face, LORD, I will seek."
(Psalm 27: 8)

Seeking God is to know really who God is and to know His will into your life through studying His word. The Lord Jesus Christ said to His disciples, ***"If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*** (1 John 8: 31-32) Holding to the teaching of the Lord Jesus is not only to know the truth but you have to live in this truth. Therefore your willingness to live in the truth is the most important part. If you are not willing to practice and live according to the Word of God then knowing the truth it become only a mere knowledge but you will not be set free unless you hold firmly to it.

God will not reveal to you the truth unless you are humble and take the initiative to seek Him as His Word declares, ***"He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them His way."*** (Psalm 25:9) Unless you humble yourself and come to God and start confessing your sin to Him, God will not teach you His way that leads to abundant life.

Seeking God is the duty of man. God did His part, He sent His Son Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost but man still not aware of what God had done to him. Jesus came from heaven, He died on the cross for our sins. He was buried but rose from the dead on third day to give eternal life to those who believe in Him and follow His steps.

Therefore, ***"Seek the LORD while He may be found; call on Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him, and to our God, for He will freely pardon."*** (Isaiah 55:6-7) As long as it is called today you still have the opportunity to repent of your sins and start to seek God. Do that while you are alright. Don't wait for trouble or for God's wrath to come then you will start to seek His face.

Seeking God is to seek His face and to know His will in your life. Some people when they seek God they don't seek His face but they will seek His hand in order to get the blessings. But they are not willing to obey His word. Such kind of people they obey as long as there is material blessings coming into their lives. But they are not willing to go further with Him. Or they come to Him and seek His help while they are in trouble but once they are relieved they run away.

King David asked one thing of the Lord, ***"One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek Him in His temple."*** (Psalm 27:4) The meaning for that is that David wanted to be near God. Seeking God and doing exactly what He said in His Word will bring you near God. And to be near God is to be protected. Those who are not seeking God, not only they displease God and no place for them in eternally, but they are in constant danger and threats; they are unprotected. David wanted to dwell in the house of the Lord to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple. Seeking God and obeying His words is something beautiful because it will bring you into that abundant life that Jesus had promised to those who obey Him.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart." (Jeremiah 29: 11-13) God had for each man good plans that give future, hope and prosperity. But these plans will not come true and you will not enjoy it unless you start to seek God with all your heart. God will give His secrets to those who fear Him; to those who are willing to obey His commands.

When you see a little child of few years age you are easily able to recognize his parents because he will be having the same of their face expressions because he has the same of their genes. In the same way when you accept Jesus as Savior and Lord in your life He accept you as His child. So to be a child of God you should have the same characteristics of God and His Son Jesus Christ. So when you seek God and His Word, and obey what it says you will start to carry the characters of God and His Son Jesus and you will be truly called Christians.

My Dear and Beloved: "Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it—he will be blessed in what he does." (James 1:22-25) You need to look intently into each and every Word of God and continue to do what His word says then you will be achieving God's purpose for you as you seek His face and agree to pray.

My prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins and raised from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord I confess my sins _____ before you. From this day on I set my heart to seek your face and to look intently into Your Word and obey what it says. Thank you Lord, this is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.