

## **Unlocking Our Personal Potential!**

### **Part 5: "This is Why!"**

**We're unlocking our personal potential, beginning with this...** *"Whatever we do in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus..." Col 3.17* "Realizing that of the Lord we will receive the reward of heirs...!" **v24** *"Whether we eat, drink, or whatsoever we do... we do it for the glory of God... giving no offense to anyone..." 1Cor10.31*

**All for HIS will, in HIS name, for HIS glory! This can/has had a profound effect on many of us already!**

**Changes...** *"For we ourselves were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving diverse lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another... and then the kindness and love of God appeared in Jesus... that we should become heirs thru Christ our Savior... Now this is a faithful saying and I will that you constantly affirm it: believers must be careful to maintain good works!" Titus 3.3-8*

*"But fornication and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be named once among you as becomes saints... have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness but rather reprove them... awake if you're sleeping and arise from the dead and Christ will give you light... see that you walk accurately, not as fools, but as wise... redeem the time because the days are evil. Be not unwise but understanding what the will of the Lord is! Eph 5.3ff*

For when the time has come that you should be teachers of God's words you have need to be taught again the first principles – still needing milk and not strong meat; babies, unskilled in the word of righteousness – *but strong meat is for those who are maturing and whose senses are being exercised to discern good and evil – so let's move on to maturity and off the elementals... Hebrews 5.12-6.1*

**Turning from dead works, the things that we did when dead in sin, we... turn to serve the living God, doing His will, accomplishing His works, for His glory... Because we know we will be giving an account for the things we did in the body, and we want to be found faithful!**

**We know we have limited time to turn around, to serve God and those He loves...** *The days of our years are seventy and if we are strong, eighty, so teach us to number our days so that we can apply ourselves to living wisely! Ps 90.10-12* We don't want to waste our time here! We know the number of years is not hard and fast!

**But that a life that's only about "living" is a life lived in vain!**

**A Life of Vanity...** *"after the Lord of the servants delivered to them His goods... He came to reckon with them. To the two who used well what He gave them He said, "well done, good and faithful servant, you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things, enter into My joy!" But to the one who served poorly He said, "you wicked and lazy servant... take what was given to him and give it to others!" Matt 25.14-28*

*"If any man builds on the foundation he has in Christ with gold, silver, precious stones, or, wood, hay, stubble, what kind of work he did will be made obvious because it will be tried by fire... and if his work abides, he will be rewarded, but if his work burns up, he will suffer loss. He himself will still be saved but as one who comes thru fire!" 1Corinthians 3.12-15*

A man had a certain fig tree in his vineyard and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. He said to the gardener, *'I have come looking for fruit for three years and I have found none... cut it down... why should it take up space?'* The gardener replied, *'let it stand for one more year and I will give it special attention and if it bears fruit, that's good, and if not, then I'll cut it down...'* **Luke 13.6**

**A Life of Vitality!** “Well done good and faithful!” **Mt25.21** “The life I am now living I live by the faith of the Son of God!” **Gal 2.20** “Unlike those who receive the word with gladness then give it up because they have no roots, unlike those who are choked out by the cares of this world, *these are they which have seed sown into good ground – who have heard and received it – and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty and some hundred!*” **Mk 4.14ff**

**A Life of Vitality... for Jesus!** “For Me, My life and sustenance is to do the will of the One who sent Me and to finish His work.” **John 4.34** “For Me, it’s not doing anything according to My own will, but operating as I hear, because I am not seeking my own will but the will of the Father who sent Me...” **5.30** “For Me, this is His will, that of all He has given to Me, I should not lose one of them...” **6.39**

**A Life of Vitality... for me!** For me, it’s the 527 experience... At 5:27 in the morning I woke up with the Lord speaking to me as clear as the dawn that I would soon see... (BTW, He has no time boundaries! He lives in eternity) At 5:27 I heard Him say there were some things He wanted changed in me...

***It’s all about interaction! It’s all about His caring, tender care, tending of His lame little sheep... And DONE!***

**Why should we do everything we do for God? What’s the worst fear of doing everything you do for God? I would lose myself... I wouldn’t have any more fun... I would be miserable!**

**Miserable? *Your flesh could be for a while... it doesn’t want what God wants...***

The spirit is willing *but the flesh is weak!* **Mt 26.41** What is born of the flesh is flesh, and of the Spirit is spirit! The Spirit quickens *but the flesh profits nothing!* **Jo 3.6 6.63** They that are after the flesh mind the things of the flesh, but those after the Spirit, the things of the Spirit... *to mind the flesh is death* but minding the spirit is life and peace. *Minding the flesh is hostility toward God and they that are in the flesh cannot please God!* **Rom 8.5-8** “But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit if so be that He dwells in you... and if Christ dwells in you the body is dead because of sin but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit that raised Christ from the dead dwells in you He will quicken your mortal bodies... so we are not debtors to the flesh, to live after the flesh! *For if we live after the flesh we will die, but if thru the Spirit we put to death the deeds of the flesh, we will live!*” **Rom 8.9-13**

***After a while of “dying,” joy comes from knowing you are living in Him and He in you!*** Doing the will of God from the heart, with good will doing service to God! **Eph 6.5,6** Storing up treasures in places where nothing can take it away? **1Tim6.19 Mt5.19,20** (think retirement accounts). Becoming friend-full and rich for the future! **Lk 12.33 16.9,10** We are the light of the world, the hope of the future and if our light is darkness then how dark is the light? **Mt5.14 6.22,23**

**We’re not really miserable for doing the will of God... but we will be for not doing it!**

**“Why should we be preparing, unlocking, changing when everyone else is doing their own thing?”**

**Here’s why... (US map) *Left and right coasts/north is here...*** Leaving uninhabitable places... Zillow has revealed R.E. Disneyland! Gas/food/entertainment cheaper here! Regardless of oil industry/jobs are here! Coming and bringing spiritual surround! ***Unless we get a reprieve, our nation is about to be put on public display...*** The internal tearing, the rising fear, the smell of ripe fear will change the environs!  
**And it CANNOT change a thing for us! We must be ready to help, to man up!**

**Manning up...** Our line has not ended! When things get dark we will shine! No need to cast blame! Real life! No fleeing for our lives! No abandoning our posts! **Ready for the life God has for us...! As “Soldiers,”** unentangling for warfare... **As “Physicians,”** in a hospital church, healing others to put them

back on their feet for the war of men's souls... **As "Partners,"** preparing a place, and making new space... **As "Heirs,"** working with God in a supernatural thing! Enemy is not going to turn and run at first sight of us! Will stand defiant as they try to break into the kingdom... But in the end, it is us who will be standing... those who take heart and prepare themselves for the hour! And that's why...