

Receiving Deeper Revelation

Scripture:

Jeremiah 9:24 *"But let him who glories glory in this, That he understands and knows Me, That I am the LORD, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight," says the LORD.*"

Introduction:

We take great pride in what we know. People spend thousands of dollars to increase their store of knowledge. However, it's one thing to have knowledge and another to have wisdom. Wisdom helps us to know how to use the knowledge we get. I believe wisdom could be defined as revelation. When we receive revelation we know where we're going and what we're going to do when we get there.

Proverbs 4:7-9 *"Wisdom is the principal thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding. ⁸ Exalt her, and she will promote you; She will bring you honor, when you embrace her. ⁹ She will place on your head an ornament of grace; a crown of glory she will deliver to you."*

I. Revelation is gained as we continue to follow the Lord.

Hosea 6:3 *"Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth."*

- A. Just as morning follows the night time, so does revelation come to those who follow the Lord.
- B. It's the same principle as seed-time and harvest.

Genesis 8:22 *"While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest, Cold and heat, winter and summer, and day and night Shall not cease."*

II. Revelation is gained as we walk in obedience to Christ.

John 7:16-17 *"Jesus answered them and said, "My doctrine is not Mine, but His who sent Me. ¹⁷ If anyone wills to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority."*

- A. Obedience to Christ is a radical lifestyle.
- B. We must be His disciples, doing his will from our heart.

Ephesians 6:6-7 *"not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, ⁷with goodwill doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men,"*

III. Revelation is gained as we abide in the Word of God.

John 8:31-32 *"Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. ³² And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."*

- A. Too many depend on someone else to get a word for them.
- B. Some find it easier to run from prophetic meeting to prophetic meeting than getting into the Word for themselves.
- C. Real freedom comes as we gain revelation from God for ourselves.
- D. The Word really does have power to bring illumination (revelation) into our lives.

Psalms 119:104-105 *"Through Your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way. ¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."*

IV. Revelation is gained through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

John 16:12-15 *"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on*

His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. ¹⁴He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you."

- A. The Holy Spirit speaks that which He hears to bring revelation to us.
- B. This seems to indicate that without the Holy Spirit we are unable to comprehend deeper revelation.
- C. As the Holy Spirit glorifies Jesus Christ, we receive revelation.
- D. Jesus Christ is the possessor of all the revelation of Father God.
- E. The Holy Spirit reveals to us things that cannot be understood in any other way than by His guidance.

I Corinthians 2:9-10 *"But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." ¹⁰But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God."*

V. **Revelation is gained as we remain in intimate fellowship with Christ.**

Matthew 13:10-11 *"And the disciples came and said to Him, "Why do You speak to them in parables?"¹¹He answered and said to them, "Because it has been given to you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given."*

- A. These disciples had an intimate relationship with Christ. The rest did not.
- B. When you're intimate you have the right to ask for deeper revelation.

James 1:5 *"If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him."*

- C. Let us ask!