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Seeking God - posted by Holywarrior, on: 2005/3/5 18:58

Hi Everybody!

What does it mean to seek God? What is the practical implication of that? I want to put God first in my life, but what effect will it have on me...and the bigger question...How??

wanting to put God first Holywarrior

Re: Seeking God - posted by AgesofWar (), on: 2005/3/5 20:32

Howdy man

I been thinking about the same kinds of things and this is what I found so far:

- 1. JESUS says to count the cost of serving him.
- A. giving stuff up is part of the cost, the obvious stuff comes first then the hard stuff starts.
- B. Hard stuff is those things that you really want to keep, but do not have anything to do with GOD.
- 2. JESUS said that a man found a treasure in a field and sold everything he had to buy the field and when he did he was glad.
- A. I can give you an example of this, when I was a video Game freak, I would spend almost all day playing and I would not grow tired of it. I gave up my time to be with something I loved.
- B. if you Love him you will want to be with him. Seek. Dig in the Field to Find the Treasure.

The Word of GOD (Bible) is that Field and how will you find the treasure if you do not Dig in the Field?

Finally Take of hint from Enoch who Walked with GOD for 300 years, he Pleased GOD. BTW Enoch means Dedicated; we also need to be dedicated.

Seek = Dedicated

Well hope that helps cyas.

Re: - posted by Gideons (), on: 2005/3/5 20:59

Excellent questions.

------What does it mean to seek God? What is the practical implication of that?

To seek God means that I will follow Him and I will submit my life to Him. Once we truly seek God, we're saying in effect that I don't want to be God anymore. As you grow in grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus, you will discover that if you want to follow Jesus you can no longer be in control of anything. In other words, we can't pick and choose what we want to submit to God. He has to be Lord of all or he's not Lord at all.

Psalms 37:4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Psalms 37:5 Commit th y way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.

So when I diligently seek Him and what will He require? He'll require everything. If you're walking in any known sin, he'll say put that away. One of the first things to go is your reputation and another is any agenda you may have.

Luke 14:26 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sister s, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. Luke 14:27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come a

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fter me, cannot be my disciple. Luke 14:28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and count eth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?

So practically speaking it's going to cost you everything. Your time, your money, your tears, your agenda. Quote:

-----..and the bigger question..How??

If we truly seek God, he'll meet you wherever you're at right now. If you don't have a prayer closet, start praying and so aking yourself in the Word.

I would recommend spending at least an hour in prayer and an hour in the Word each day. I'm not being legalistic here but if you want Jesus to run your life, He has to purge everything and that's not going to happen if you're seeking him who leheartedly.

Matthew 6:6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father whi ch is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

If we come to God as we are, he will meet us. Once you get started, the Holy Spirit will take it from there.

The first time I prayed in my prayer closet, I fell asleep. I cried for two hours once I awoke. The Lord is still changing me but I know there's many things he has changed in my heart. If you truly seek Him, you will find Him.

God bless you on your journey.

Re: Thanks and Jesus demands - posted by Holywarrior, on: 2005/3/7 8:11

Thanks guys for your answers.

I want to put God first, but find in myself it is only lipservice I give to Jesus. I am a christian for 13 years now. I have gro wn complacent...no challenges for me being a christian. I think as soon as being a christian has stopped being a challen ge...you are not following God wholeheartedly.

My problem:

- 1) I have a reputation, I care what people think of me...more than God...
- 2) I have sin I play with.

God wants my heart, my reputation, my life, my thoughts, my time...

Jesus demand to follow Him is tough, as you walk the christian road it gets tougher, Jesus demands more and more...

Tough things I need to think through...

God bless Holywarrior