

A LIFE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS - PART 2

In the first resource we looked at what it is to live out a life of righteousness or in other words, demonstrate the manifold wisdom of God.

A life of righteousness is a life of "right acts" or "righteous demonstration of wisdom", as Revelation 19:8 declares.

Revelation 19:8 It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

We can see from this scripture that the righteous acts are the fine linen garments of the bride. If we don't live out these righteous acts or demonstrate this wisdom, we don't have the appropriate clothing on at the wedding banquet, and so just like the man in Matthew 22:11-12, we find ourselves being removed from the banquet, placed into the outer darkness, which is not hell, but a place of shade outside of the banquet itself.

For every one of us to live a life of righteousness out, or demonstrate this divine wisdom, we must be in the God given divine process of spiritual maturity, which we will unpack through this resource. It's essential to realise that this divine process of spiritual maturity only occurs when we are in Gods divine order of life.

This wisdom, or this life of righteous acts, is broken into 2 parts. The first part of this divine demonstration of wisdom, is all about the ability to demonstrate the nature of God, the characteristics of love and His being attitudes.

Galatians 5:22-23 - fruit of the Spirit 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 - characteristics of love Matthew 5:3-12 - be-attitudes

The ability to demonstrate this wisdom is all centered on the receiving of our true knowledge or knowing of Jesus Christ through revelation.

This first part is the most important part out of the 2, because it is aligned to God's central commandment, as well as it defines and shapes the second part.

The second part of this divine demonstration of wisdom is the physical faith works that God has entrusted us to accomplish. These works are the preaching of the eternal gospel, healing the sick, raising the dead, prophesying, prayer, binding and loosing, making disciples etc.

Matthew 10:1 - healing the sick, preaching etc. Matthew 28:18-20 - making of disciples John 14:12 - supernatural acts Ephesians 2:10 - works prepared beforehand

These works are to be centered, inspired, empowered and led by the Holy Spirit. These works are accomplished from the Sabbath Rest of God, which Christ gives and is operating from within us.

The Way of God is narrow, but the more we are in Him, the more we are able to demonstrate both parts of this

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divine wisdom, these righteous acts, living lives of righteousness.

QUESTIONS

- 1. How do you think the man who didn't have the appropriate garment on, felt after being removed from the wedding feast?
- 2. Why is the true knowledge of God so vital in being able to demonstrate both parts of wisdom?
- 3. Which part of wisdom do you relate to more than the other and why?
- 4. How will demonstrating this divine wisdom now impact the lives of those around you?
- 5. How will demonstrating this life of righteousness now, determine our judgement seat for reward in the future?

ACTION POINT: What action point do we need to take away from tonight and apply to our lives?