

DILIGENCE: THE MISSING FACTOR

The Gateway To Great Victories

I. Preaching works vs. Preaching work-Ephesians 2:8

- A. We're saved by grace, we're offered healing by grace, we're offered prosperity by grace, we're offered victory by grace but you receive the grace to be healed, the grace to walk in victory, and the grace to prosper the same way that you received the grace that you got saved by and that's through faith and faith is work and faith is a fight-1 Thessalonians 1:3, 1 Timothy 6:12

II. Our diligence begins in being a diligent hearing and doer of the Word

- A. You miss out on what Jesus provided because of what you don't know & do from the Word
 - 1. You are cut off from God's provision because of what you don't know (Hos 4:6)
 - 2. People who know the Word are cut off because they do not do (James 1:25)
- B. The answer to every test, trial, tribulation and negative circumstance in life is to be a **diligent** hearer and doer of the Word
 - 1. Problems don't get solved and victories don't manifest until somebody **makes a decision** to **diligently** hear and do the Word
 - 2. Failure in any realm of life can be traced back to a failure to diligently hear and do the Word
 - 3. **Hearken** (hear, attend to [time], obey, diligently) diligently to the Word is the key to victory (Deut 28:1)
 - a. God's whole message to the Children of Israel was to hearken diligently to His Word (Psalm 81:8-16)
- C. You **cannot diligently hear and do** the Word and fail (Joshua 1:5, John 1)
 - 1. When you think you can hear and do the word and fail it destroys faith
 - 2. The Word has been tried and proven (Psalm 18:30)
 - a. You didn't do the Word and it not work-Hebrews 4:12
 - 3. The problem is not diligently hearing and doing the Word
 - a. The problem is not the problem, Jesus defeated the problem
 - b. This is how close you are to victory; hear and do the Word

III. Diligently hearing and doing the Word is the gateway to great victories

- A. Diligence is doing the Word even if it gets worse for no other reason, but the Word says to do it
 - 1. Manifestation none of my business, my business is to do the Word (Jer1:12)
 - 2. Luke 8:49-50-Jairus' job was to do the Word, not heal is daughter
- B. John 2:5-Whatever he says to you do it!
 - 1. It becomes very important to take the time to find out what he said

- 2. The more you know about what he said and the more you do it the greater victories you'll see
- C. Daniel 3-He said don't bow so don't bow!
- D. John 8:31-There's no problem that this Word won't make victorious over
 - 1. The condition is this-IF YE CONTINUE
 - 2. There's not enough continuing
 - 3. The word will make you free from anything if you'll continue (Romans 1:16)

IV. 2 Peter 1:1-10-Diligence is the guarantee of your success

- A. 2-Grace and Peace by multiplied unto you
- B. 2-If grace and peace are going to come unto you, then it must come through the knowledge of the Word
 - 1. EX: The water plant can have all the water you'd ever want you to have it, but if you don't have the pipes there's no way for them to get it to you
 - 2. If you have little knowledge of the Word you have a small channel through with grace and peace can come to you
 - 3. The grace and peace that increase in your life is being determined by you what you know and do from the Word
- C. 3-All things that pertain to life and godliness He's given to us through the knowledge of the Word
 - 1. The littler you know and do from the word, the less of these things you'll see
- D. 4-By this word you're going to become more and more like him and escape the corruption and destruction that is in the world
- E. 5-For this very reason
 - 1. 1) Grace and Peace are multiplied to you through the knowledge of the Word
 - 2. 2) All that that pertain unto life and godliness are given to you through knowledge of the Word
 - 3. 3) By these promises you become like God and escape corruption
- F. 5-For this very reason add your diligence to these divine promises; Most believers haven't **added diligence to the promises** (Hebrews 6:12)
 - 1. They get excited about the word, read the Word, they shout about the word in church, but they haven't added diligence to the promises
 - 2. Until you **add diligence to the word** it won't manifest in your life
- G. 8-You're knowledge of the Word is not supposed to be unfruitful
- H. 10-If you do, then you will never fail; Diligence gives you the guarantee