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- Daily revelatory thoughts to sharpen you and to help you grow in deep spiritual understanding and knowledge.
- Scriptures for your daily meditation.
- Daily Christ-centered and apostolic-prophetic prayers.

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HOW TO EXPERIENCE
THE WORKINGS OF THE WORD

"My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Proverbs 4:20 (NKJV)

Proverbs chapter 4, unveils the benefits of wisdom and how wisdom should be esteemed. We see also that, the many counsels and words articulated are expressions of wisdom.

Now before the word was unveiled as God's MEDICINE or God's prerequisite for our enjoyment of life and health; there were key prescribed items worth noting.

See:

"My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh."

Proverbs 4:20-22 (NKJV).

The focus of these verses isn't just what the Word can do, but what you should do with the WORD. The focus is the instruction. It's about how you can benefit from the Word. The WORD of God is LIFE to those who find them and

MEDICINE to their flesh or body; however there are things to do to wield the WORD.

A medicine or a remedy may be good but until you effectively apply it, it wouldn't work automatically. You need to use or apply it according to the prescription to get the expected results.

These are the FOUR THINGS THE LORD wants you to do:

1. Give attention to MY Words.

You attend to anything of value. You turn away from anything else to take heed to the Words. You don't treat the Word casually, you prick your ears to intentionally hear or receive the details. When you have to attend to the Word of God, you pause all other activities to give it the valued time.

2. Incline your ear to MY Sayings.

As you pause to attend to the Word, you don't only listen attentively; you create the atmosphere and take up the posture for you to effectively attend

to the Word. To incline the ear also means to bow the ear. It is like a disciple sitting at the feet of a teacher to glean knowledge. It means you give attention with humility.

3. Do not let THEM depart from your eyes;

What is the focus of your eyes? How consistent are you setting your sight on the Word? Don't only hear the Word, you must see and set your gaze on the Word.

"That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life" 1 John 1:1 (NKJV).

There are people who set their eyes and also the eyes of their mind on the challenges which confront them than what God have said. Just like the spies Moses sent out to the promise land. They saw the beauty of the land, but ten (10) of them saw themselves as grasshoppers.

And they practically forgot about the promise of God's Word to them. They forgot the great things the Lord has wrought through them, even the parting of the red sea. Unlike Caleb and Joshua, they had their eyes on the reality that God is with them. They saw the giants as bread. (See Numbers 13:25-33; Numbers 14:1-9).

Set the Word of God before you and make it your focus.

4. Keep them in the midst of your heart

The heart is the center of your life. Your entire living evolves around your heart. The heart is the seat of your life. The heart here is not the physical organ which pumps blood (of course there is a connection as well between the physical heart, the hidden heart and the Word). The heart mentioned includes, the spirit, the mind, the will, the emotions and the conscience. To keep the Word is to esteem the Word. Whatever you esteem is kept in the heart. The word of God is the most inestimable treasure

you must keep in your heart. It is the life spring and essence of your spirit.

Therefore you ponder, meditate or masticate on it. You uphold it as the guide of your will and overwhelms your affection and desires.

When you make the Word your "*gravitational focus*" it will infuse you with Life. Anything God's Word dispenses becomes your reality. As Paul, the Apostle, spoke and taught the Word of Christ, there was a man that was impotent in his feet, (a cripple from his mother's womb) listening attentively to his teaching.

Whiles the Apostle preached, he perceived that the man had faith (remember faith comes by hearing the Word of Christ, Romans 10:17) to be healed and spoke out, "*Stand upright on your feet.*" And the man that was a cripple leaped and walked just by hearing the word.

Oh glory!

Now you will be wondering how it happened.

Get this:

The Word of God is a seed, your heart is the field. When a word of healing is sown into your heart, it will germinate healing in your body (Luke 8:15). Whiles, the man was listening to Paul, the word of faith was sown into his heart, and then produced the healing miracle.

Is your heart a fertile ground for the Word to germinate? When you pay attention to the Word (and prayer), it fertilizes your heart to have enough nutrients, to experience the workings of the Word.

The more you meditate on (ponder, mutter, masticate and speak) the Word, the more you bear the fruits of the Word.

Have you fellowshiped with the Word?

SHALOM!

DIG DEEPER:

(Proverbs 5:1; 7:1-2; Psalm 119:111-112; Proverbs 3:3,21; Psalm 40:8)

WE PRAY

That we will diligently give heed to every instruction in the word.

BIBLE READING

Day 203:

Psalms 100 - 103

Luke 4 - 5

DECLARE THESE WORDS:

- I make the word of God my priority.
- I give attention to the word.
- I invest the word into my heart daily.
- I keep my gaze focused on the word.
- I rejoice in the word.
- I apply the word in all circumstances of life.

OH Hallelujah, GLORY TO GOD!!!