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THE GENUINE'S LIFE EVIDENCES OUR LORD JESUS

Your Trusting Obedience Develops Wise Discernment

A Holy Spirit-guided/empowered way of life is promised in the New Covenant.

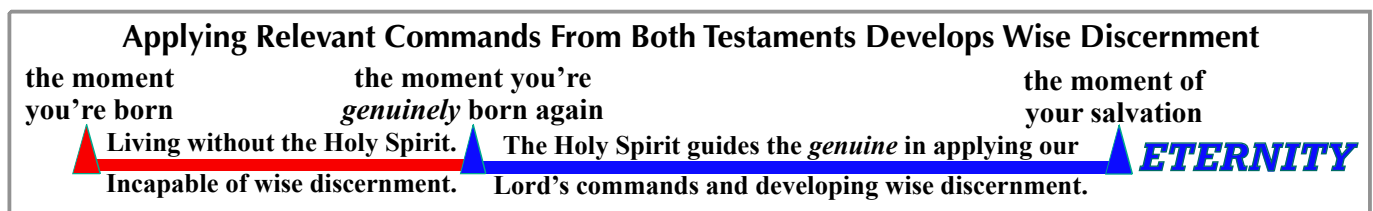


For the best spiritual benefit, please prayerfully discuss this Nugget with those with you on your faith pilgrimage.

Dear Friends in Christ Jesus our Lord,

In this Nugget we'll continue to strengthen your **heartfelt motivation** toward •our heavenly Father, •our Lord Jesus, and •the authority of Scripture in your life. What a marvel that contained within you through the presence of the Holy Spirit are the voice of our Lord, His empowerment, and His means of imparting **wise discernment**. Wise discernment is a character trait which develops increasingly as the Holy Spirit guides you in applying our Lord's commands to your life. Our Lord enjoins the *genuine*, "*If you love Me, you will keep My commands*" (John 14:15). Our Lord Jesus is anchoring you on the heartfelt motive of loving Him, which you demonstrate in your eager willingness to keep His commands because of Who has given them to you.

From the day you were *genuinely* born again until you experience your salvation of eternal life in heaven, our Lord's righteous commands keep deepening in you the wise discernment by which the *genuine* daily live. And the key way of developing wise discernment for applying our Lord's commands is through mutual discussion with others who love and serve Him as Lord.



***"Were not our hearts burning within us while [Jesus] talked with us on the road,
and while He opened the Scriptures [Older Testament] to us?" (Luke 24:32).***

In wanting to help you develop wise discernment in your life, we've frequently emphasized the Hebrew Scriptures, the Older Testament, as foundational to your faith journey. It's within the Older Testament that you find the promise of the New Covenant, the true Gospel and the purpose for our Lord's sacrifice for you. (There are over 300 prophecies in the Older Testament regarding our Lord Jesus. What joy as you go through those texts and discover each one which has already been fulfilled or is on its way to becoming so!) Do you comprehend how essential the Older Testament is for you to perceive the loving grace that Father has offered you in the New Covenant? When you get hold of your need to see God at work in the Older Testament, you'll overflow with **wholehearted trusting obedience** for both the cost that was paid for your sins and Who you offend when you do sin. Your exuberant appreciation for such love undergirds the way you choose to live. Consider how excited over the Older Testament's revelation of Jesus the two men on the way to Emmaus were! As Luke recounts in chapter 24,

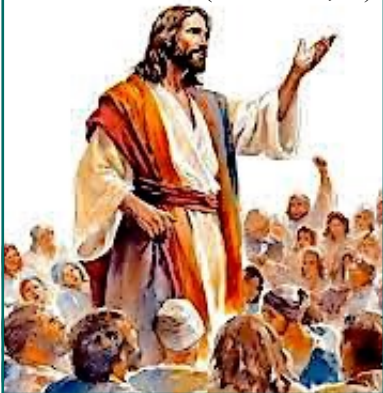
when the risen Jesus encountered two of His downcast disciples on the road to Emmaus, He explained all that Moses and the Prophets had written about Him. We're told that their hearts were burning within them as He talked (v.32). They went from being crushed by the crucifixion to being energized with joy that He was alive and the Hebrew Scriptures had foretold this! Their hearts were so lifted up that even though it was nighttime they raced 7 miles back to Jerusalem to share the wonderful news with the others!

And those others had some joyful and amazing news of their own: Jesus Himself had been in their midst telling them that *“all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me. And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures”* (vv. 44,45). This undeniable evidence of fulfilled prophecy was life-changing for them! Their hearts became fertile soil for the promised Holy Spirit Who our Lord Jesus said would endue them with power. No matter what suffering and opposition they would face, their Lord would be with them through His indwelling Spirit — the reason their confident and obedient trust wouldn't waver (vv. 48,49).

Even though centuries have passed since these events, the *genuine* need the same enthusiasm about more fully understanding our Lord Jesus in the Hebrew Scriptures. And it's within the Older Testament that you find our Father's stipulations for your conversion along with a number of your privileges and responsibilities to Him right up until the moment you experience your salvation. This isn't trying to gain merit by works; it's evidence of a changed heart that's eager to please such a loving and gracious Father by His grace at work in you. All this adds up to you developing wise discernment so that others can readily see the genuineness of your faith.

“They are created now, not long ago; before today you have never heard of them, lest you should say, ‘Behold, I knew them’” (Isaiah 48:7).

“Whoever trust in Me, as the [Older Testament] has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’ Now this He said about the Spirit, whom those who trusted in Him were to receive...”
(John 7:38,39).



In our earliest writings after returning to the US with the biblical Hebraic foundations in 1994, we voiced a Spirit-inspired understanding of Father's timing in restoring these foundations. In our Father's mercy toward Jew and Gentile alike (Romans 11:30-32), His restoring of the foundations is connected to the prophetic fulfillment which our Lord made that *“Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled”* (Luke 21:24). When the Jewish people got Jerusalem back during the 1967 war, this prophecy was fulfilled.

As God is showing His mercy to the Jewish people especially in having restored to them their holy city, He has also been mercifully revealing to us Gentiles the Hebraic understanding of His Word. That perspective is essential in order to undo the spirit of Hellenism that has pervaded most of nominal Christianity for so many centuries. The biblical Hebraic foundations also fulfill another prophecy in the Older Testament: *“I will raise up your sons, O Zion, and make you like a warrior's sword against your sons, O Greece”* (Zechariah 9:13).

Because Hellenism and its pernicious offspring Humanism have infiltrated so much of nominal Christianity, a biblically Hebraic understanding is being restored by God to confront these lies. As we were warned while we were in Israel, “Hellenism owns the church in the United States.” It's no small thing when it comes to our heavenly Father's prophetic timing: as the Jews were regaining Jerusalem in 1967, Billy Graham's wife, Ruth, remarked that same year, **“If God doesn't judge the United States, He will have to apologize to Sodom and Gomorrah.”** Our God doesn't apologize! But He is sending forth in the Hebraic foundations the authentic biblical way He wants His children to live.

We're living at a time when very great promises are being fulfilled: the nation of Israel was restored in one day during May of 1948 as prophesied (Isaiah 66:8); and as we noted,

Jerusalem was returned to the Jews in 1967 after nearly 2000 years of Gentile control. So think about this: the "curse" of the Hellenist pagan practices within much of nominal Christianity is being confronted by the biblical Hebraic foundations so that our Father's purposes may be fulfilled. He foresaw that over 20 million in the US would be resolutely seeking the truth after having fled the "cursed" nominal Christian religious establishment in order to find it.

An historical backdrop to the events of today: The curse of anti-Semitic theology prompted those called "Church Fathers" to curse the children of the Hebrew Abraham. The patriarch who was called God's friend (James 2:23) was to bring blessings to the whole world: *"I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you"* (Genesis 12:3). But nominal Christianity has remained "cursed" by God as He promised—because He refuses to forsake His promise to Abraham! And today He is revealing the biblical Hebraic foundations to undo the curse of the spirit of Hellenism.

***"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God"* (John 3:5).**



Over two hundred years before the coming of Jesus, a number of what we call the "Hebraic stream" of rabbis taught that a person must experience a spiritual birth, a response to God's call on his life. These rabbis understood the trust-filled relationship which Abraham had with God. Conversion meant rebirth. Being "born again" was a shift from following the letter of the law to abiding in a love-based obedient relationship with our Father. Consider our Lord's own words on the need to be born again: *"Jesus declared, 'I tell you the truth, no one can see the Kingdom of God unless he is born again from above'"* (John 3:3). Jesus then added, *"Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit"* (John 3:7,8). Because the teaching of spiritual rebirth had been around for many years, our Lord Jesus marveled that Nicodemus was ignorant of this vital spiritual reality. *"Jesus answered him, 'Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things?'"* (John 3:10).

Becoming *genuinely* born again is the moment of your conversion at which you shift from religious practice (or no practice!) and put your full trust and reliance in Jesus as your Savior and Lord. The Holy Spirit enters in! Jesus endorsed this break with Pharisaic religious form and practice when He told those who criticized Him about His disciples not fasting:

"No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch tears away from the garment, and the tear is made worse. Nor do they put new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins burst, the wine is spilled and the skins are ruined. But they put new wine into freshly prepared wineskins, and both are preserved" (Matthew 9:16,17).

***"Everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving others and being deceived themselves"* (2Timothy 3:12,13; see also John 15:20).**

Your trusting obedience to base your life on the authority of Scripture and putting our Lord's commands into practice is going to cost you relationships, especially with nominal Christians. You have to be willing to live fully as the new wineskin our Lord's Spirit inhabits. You've been called to cast off reliance on religious form and instead be fully available for Him to use as our Lord's holy and beloved own:

“And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through His own blood. Let us, then, go to Him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace He bore. For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come” (Hebrews 13:12-14).

This is the same depth of obedient trust which Abraham enacted toward His Lord. But please heed this warning if you're *genuine* and yearning to follow your Lord but also considering the Hellenism in nominal Christianity to be acceptable to Him: ***the abyss between these two opposing views will tear at your relationship with Him.*** Examine your heart to see if you're willing to separate from nominal Christians who don't care about living to please our Lord when that's a key value of yours. This is a value difference that goes right down to the family level (see Matthew 10:21; 34-36). You becoming *genuinely* born again is by grace as you trust in Jesus having paid the debt you never could have for your sins. But the cost for you to live *genuine* means yielding your life to Him in love-grounded obedient trust as your Lord and Savior. So keep focused on Who it is that you delight in, and by His indwelling Spirit He'll enable you to have the wisdom you need.

“[We] have written you quite boldly on some points to remind you of them again, because of the grace God has given [us]” (Romans 15:15).

There's a separation line that's coming to Christians today whether you want it or not between the sons of Zion (the biblical Hebraic foundations) and the sons of Hellenism (the philosophy and worldview of Humanism in nominal Christianity). No one can live with Jesus as their Lord and also embrace Humanism's pursuit of happiness which lacks moral boundaries. As Jesus emphasized, you can't serve both God and worldly wealth as your master. If your religious leaders have not been calling your faith community to repentance, then ask them to. Don't go on in "fellowship" with people who choose to keep sinning by serving themselves and compromising with the values and goals and ways of the world's systems. If your leaders refuse to call people to repent, then shake the dust off your feet and leave. If there's one thing the Older Testament does to encourage the *genuine*, it's that its God-breathed truths show us examples of how to live true to our Lord no matter the cost. The people whom God esteemed as cited in the Hebrew Bible are role models for us today.

We strongly encourage you to watch and discuss the videos in “The Father & Jesus—THE Source For All True Love & Intimacy” section of our [*Jesus In Your Home*](#) video series. They'll help you better understand the importance of the Older Testament in your relationship with our Father and our Lord Jesus.



Finally, to repeat a vital truth: No one can patch together Hellenism-inspired religious forms or rituals or Humanism's penchant for happiness without moral boundaries to a wholehearted trust in Jesus as their Lord — NO ONE!. Neither can they pour their old reliance on religious form and ritual and tradition into a singularly focused desire to live and serve Jesus as their only beloved LORD. Here's an indispensable practice of our Lord Jesus's earliest followers (and we encourage you to do the same): discuss what's being shared here, asking for the Holy Spirit's guidance and confirmation. And then do what He commands you.