Learn to Dedicate Yourself to God and Be Hospitable

"Hebrews 13:2 (ESV)

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." -

Shalom, beloved in Christ! Today, let us reflect on the vital importance of dedicating ourselves to God's work and practicing hospitality. The Word of God is not just a guide for our lives—it is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path (Psalm 119:105, ESV). Our spiritual growth and witness to others depend on obedience to His Word.

Dedication and Faith in Action

I have been corresponding with a young Tanzanian woman who lives in Zambia near the border. Despite her youth, she demonstrates a deep love for God and a willingness to serve Him faithfully. She often asks

profound spiritual questions, such as:

"Who is the one that cannot be stopped even if removed?"

"How can I discern the voice of an angel from the Holy Spirit?"

Her questions show spiritual maturity, especially for someone so young. Even though her family is not particularly religious and she faces many personal challenges, she continues to boldly share the Gospel with others. She recently reported:

"Even though the churches here were closed due to COVID-19, I went out to witness. People I spoke to asked for my number so I could pray with them and guide them in repentance."

Her story exemplifies **faith in action**, aligning with

James 2:17 (ESV):

"So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead."

True faith is always accompanied by obedience and service.

A Divine Encounter

A few days ago, she had an encounter reminiscent of Abraham's visitation in

Genesis 14:8-18, where God's angels interacted with ordinary people to accomplish His purposes. She shared:

"Early yesterday morning, while doing chores, I heard someone calling my name. I thought it was my imagination at first. Then I saw a tall, unfamiliar man at the gate. I greeted him politely. He gave me money and food, along with a Bible, a diary, and a pen. I realized afterward that I had been visited by an angel of the Lord. I felt an overwhelming peace, knowing that God had sent him to encourage and bless me."

This experience illustrates a spiritual truth: angels often work **behind the scenes** to bless those who serve God faithfully. They do not always appear in heavenly glory—they come as ordinary people (Genesis 18:2, ESV; Hebrews 13:2, ESV).

Angels as Ministering Spirits

Hebrews 1:14 (ESV) reminds us:

"Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?"

Angels are assigned to serve **those who actively follow God**, protecting, guiding, and even providing for their needs. God's supernatural assistance is not arbitrary—it aligns with His purposes and the faithfulness of His children.

Theological Insight: Spiritual Rewards and Witness

The young woman's encounter shows that dedication, obedience, and faithfulness attract God's blessing. Theologically, this aligns with the principle of divine reciprocity in Scripture: those who serve God diligently often receive encouragement and provision, sometimes through miraculous means

(Matthew 6:33, ESV: "But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.").

Moreover, angels carry our acts of righteousness and service before God (Psalm 103:20, ESV), presenting our good works as evidence of faith and obedience. Even small acts of kindness and devotion are noticed in heaven.

Application for Our Lives

This testimony teaches us several vital lessons:

Dedicate yourself to God's work. Serve others not for recognition but because God values obedience and compassion.

Practice hospitality. You never know when your kindness might intersect with divine intervention.

Faith requires action. Even small opportunities to share the Gospel, help the needy, or encourage others are significant in God's eyes.

Be attentive to God's provision. Angels and God's blessings often operate in ordinary ways, not always in spectacular manifestations.

Call to Salvation

If you have not yet been saved, take this moment seriously. Salvation is

available here on earth

(Acts 2:38, ESV):

"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Turn from sin—whether drunkenness, sexual immorality, theft, pornography, cursing, violence, or any other unrighteousness—and seek a living church for baptism. The Holy Spirit will guide your life from there.

Living in the Last Days

We are living in the last days. The rapture could happen at any moment, and sudden tribulations may arise unexpectedly, as the COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated. Believers must live with vigilance, faith, and commitment, preparing both themselves and others for the coming Kingdom.

Maranatha! The Lord is coming soon.

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