For the Love of God and Country Excerpt – Part Five

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts."

Isaiah 55:8

The first "word" that God gave me when I began to seek the mind of Christ for our nation was this: God is still God! He knows about our leaders; He knows about our nation; He knows our future. He can bring us through anything and everything with victory. Remember, He has declared that we, His church, are more than conquerors. He meant that during the days of the Apostle Paul, but it is no less true today. He has not changed – and He will not change. He truly is "the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever." Praise God!

The second thing that He assured me of is this: everything we need to be, everything we need to know, everything we need to do, and everything we need to have to respond appropriately to the situations and circumstances of our day has already been given to us in the Person of the Word of God and the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are to realize that we do not confront these issues as mere men, but as sons of the Most High God. We have the right to appropriate all the knowledge of the kingdom of God concerning each situation. We have the privilege of acting according to that knowledge with all the power of heaven behind our action. And last, but not least, we have all the resources of heaven available at our request. We are not confronting these issues as citizens of earth, but as citizens of heaven and ambassadors for the King of kings and the Lord of lords. Our understanding and acceptance of this fact puts us in an awesome position of power, if we will simply yield to God and do things His way. Truly, the key is to do things *His way*. We must stop walking, talking, and acting like mere "men" and begin conducting ourselves as the sons of God that we have been made.

Isaiah 55:8 declares, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts." We have to set our thoughts and our ways aside. We are still children, learning how to take our place as sons of God and ambassadors of His kingdom. His thoughts might sound "far out" to us and His ways ridiculous to our natural mind. But – we have the mind of Christ. We are "spiritual" and have access to "all things, yea, the deep things of God. "5 (1 Corinthians 2:9-16) For us to operate according to His righteousness and get the results that heaven desires, we simply are required to spend time in the presence of God and ask for Him to guide us in our prayers and in our confessions.

Having said all this, now we can begin to look into the truths that God wants to share with us. These truths will put us in a position of power and give us a certainty of success. Why? Because the truths of God may sound foolish, unrealistic, impossible to carry out, and downright upsetting to our sense of what is right; but, again, it is not our way of being right that will bring victory, but God's way of being right that will always cause us to triumph.⁶

¹ Romans 8:37

² Hebrews 13:8

³ 1 Corinthians 3:3

⁴ 1 Cor 2:16

⁵ 1 Cor 2:9-16

⁶ 2 Cor 2:14

1 Corinthians 1:25-31 states, "Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: . . ." God is the one who has the wisdom to bring our nation into alignment with His will and His plan. We have access to this wisdom through Christ Jesus. The problem comes when we attempt to "make sense" of what God is directing us to say and do. As the Apostle Paul stated in other verses of the previously identified scriptures, things that seem foolish, weak, despised, etc. are the very things that will end up confounding the mighty. They are the "things which are not" that end up bringing to "nought things that are."

God chose us to partner with Him in this work. We may not be acknowledged as being wise, mighty or noble; but, God chose us anyway. Why? Because it is not up to us to defeat the enemy! We don't get to be the hero. No, all the glory belongs to God and we have the privilege to "glory in the Lord."

I know that it is tough, sometimes, to let someone else lead the way, have the last word, or have the greatest insight. Even if it is God! But, let's face it, God *does* know more than we do, He *is* smarter than we are, and He holds all the power. And, He has invited us to join Him, as His children, in fulfilling the greatest reclamation known to earth.

In the end, God will show the absolute truth of the matter. It is declared in a Christmas carol that we sing each Christmas. I adjusted it just a little. It goes like this:

"He rules the 'earth' with truth and grace; and makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love
And wonders and wonders of His love.

Hallelujah! -He rules!

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