



Knowing God and His Ways

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THE HOLY SCRIPTURES
CONSISTENTLY SPEAK OF ITS
TRUTH AND RELIABILITY.

2 PETER 1:16-17 NKJV

(16) For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.

(17) For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

2 PETER 1:18-19

(18) And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

(19) And so, we have the prophetic (MORE SURE, in KJV) word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;

2 PETER 1:20-21

(20) knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,

(21) for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”

Jesus referenced God's Word as truth.
Even in his final prayer before the cross

ST JOHN 17:17

(17) Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.”

God's Word was settled in heaven when He first
spoke it!

(89) Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in
heaven.”

Psalms 119:89 NKJV

Since God's Word is settled
in heaven, it should be
settled in your heart!

BELIEVING THE TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD IS
NECESSARY TO LIVE OUR LIFE PURPOSE

(17) Sanctify them in the TRUTH [set them apart for
Your purposes, make them holy];
Your word IS TRUTH.”
John 17:17 AMP

THE SCRIPTURES
REVEAL WHAT
TO DO WITH GOD'S
WORD.

ISAIAH 55:8-9

(8) For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways,” says the Lord.

(9) For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

God's thoughts and ways are higher than humans.

God has a higher perspective of how to live in this world.

ISAIAH 55:10

(10) For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater,

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God's Word, like rain, brings forth life that is inside the earth,
So does God's Word bring forth what is inside of you.

(11) So shall My word be that goes forth from MY MOUTH; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.”

Isaiah 55:8-11 NKJV

IF GOD'S WORD IS SPOKEN OUT OF HIS MOUTH, THEN HIS
WORD IS TO BE SPOKEN OUT OF OUR MOUTH, IN
ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH ITS PURPOSE

ROMANS 10:8

(8) But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith which we preach):

NOTICE THE BIBLE REFERS TO PREACHING AS “THE WORD OF FAITH”.

WHY? BECAUSE PREACHING THE WORD OF GOD INSPIRES FAITH IN OUR HEART TO BELIEVE AND ACT ON WHAT GOD HAS SAID!

ROMANS 10:9-10

(9) that if you CONFESS with your MOUTH the Lord Jesus AND BELIEVE in your HEART that God has raised Him from the dead, you will BE saved.

(10) For with the heart one BELIEVES unto righteousness, and with the mouth CONFESSION is MADE unto salvation.”

Romans 10:8-10 NKJV

GOD'S WORD OF FAITH BELIEVED
AND SPOKEN (AGREEING WITH WHAT GOD SAID)
WILL BRING FORTH WHAT GOD HAS PROMISED!

REMEMBER ISAIAH 55:11

GOD'S WORD WILL ACCOMPLISH IT'S PURPOSE WHEREVER IT IS SENT!

QUESTION. WILL YOU SEND GOD'S WORD OUT OF YOUR MOUTH ?

GOD REVEALS HIS WAYS TO HIS PEOPLE, BUT IT MUST BE...

- *BELIEVED IN YOUR HEART
- *CONFESSED WITH YOUR MOUTH
- *ACTED UPON..... ACT LIKE IT'S SO !

MARK 5:27

WOMAN WITH BLEEDING CONDITION

(27) When SHE HEARD ABOUT Jesus, she CAME (IN THE PRESS) behind Him in the crowd and TOUCHED His garment.

MARK 5:28

(28) For SHE SAID, “If ONLY I may TOUCH His clothes, I SHALL be MADE WELL (WHOLE).”

This woman heard how people were getting
healed, and she came to Jesus

(10) For HE healed MANY, so that AS MANY as had afflictions
PRESSED about Him to TOUCH Him.”

Mark 3:10 NKJV

(56) Wherever He entered, into villages, cities, or the country, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged Him that they might just touch the hem of His garment. And as many as touched Him were made well.”

Mark 6:56 NKJV

Back to the woman with the blood condition ...

MARK 5:29

(29) IMMEDIATELY the fountain of her blood was dried up, and she felt in her body that SHE WAS HEALED of the affliction.

MARK 5:30-32

(30) And Jesus, immediately KNOWING in Himself that POWER had GONE OUT OF HIM, turned around in the crowd and said, “Who touched My clothes?”

(31) But His disciples said to Him, “You SEE the MULTITUDE thronging You, and You say, ‘Who touched Me?’ ”

(32) And He looked around to see her WHO HAD DONE THIS THING.

MARK 5:33-34

(33) But the woman, fearing and trembling, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell down before Him and told Him the whole truth.

(34) And He said to her, “DAUGHTER, YOUR FAITH has MADE YOU WELL (WHOLE). Go in peace, and BE HEALED of your affliction.””

Mark 5:27-34 NKJV