

Going about it correctly

(PART 2 OF 2)

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ACTS 9:17-18 NKJV – (17) And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” **(18)** Immediately there fell from his eyes *something* like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized.

Concluding from last week’s meditation the question being presented is, why? Why has things changed in this thing called life? Before this pandemic started many were living their lives at a pace of complacency, caught up in idolatry, going to church on Sunday and even attending bible study. The list could continue, but the point I want to make is, “Could we be going about life incorrectly?” Is God pleased with the relationship between you and Him? Therefore, look at this pandemic (spiritual famine) as a detour. Why a detour?

This is because before you can ever get to where God wants you to be, He has to do some twists and turns. In life, as it is often on the road, detours exist because construction is taking place. When you are on a highway and there is a detour, it is usually because workers are trying to fix, build, correct or improve something.

Similarly, God will take us on a detour because He is constructing something in our lives as well. Granted, detours are anything but convenient. They take you out of the way. They are longer than you originally had planned to travel. But they are necessary. God is more interested in your development than your arrival. He cares more for your character than your comfort—your purity than your productivity.

It’s okay to trust God when things don’t make sense. He’s got you. And He has a purpose in every twist, turn and detour you find yourself in.

Saul of Tarsus met this resurrected Messiah on the road to Damascus. The event is described as a bright-light that blinded Saul of Tarsus along with a voice giving spiritual instructions. Saul of Tarsus changed his name later and became widely known as the Apostle Paul. By the time the Apostle Paul was martyred for his faith in Jesus as Messiah about 32 years later, he had written about 25% of the New Testament. Paul’s written words are the testimony of a man that violently persecuted the early Christians, then he became a Christian due to a supernatural spiritual experience.

When the scales fell from Saul’s eyes, he saw correctly. He saw what God could see. His life was on the correct path and that’s what He wants for me and you. Like Saul, many of us are going about things incorrectly. God is shaking things up and correcting what is out of alignment.

SCRIPTURE READING

JOB 5:17

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Let me never fall into the vulgar mistake of dreaming that I am persecuted whenever I am contradicted.” ...

“A JOURNEY OF THE HEART”