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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

Pronounced "Soul"

A Mind Made Up

Do you really have your mind made up to serve God? To have your mind made up, you must be blessed with a mind set that only the Creator can bless you with! You cannot do it on your own. A matter of fact, you will cause deeper bondage in your own life.

This morning my brothers and sisters, God has instructed me to share 5 vital points that are necessary when doing God's will.

- You must have the vision of God to do His will. In other words, you must be able to see what God can see. In Acts 9:18 the bible tells us how the scales fell from Saul's eyes. He no longer saw things like he use to because he was in the light. When you have God's vision, you can discern right and wrong! What is good and bad! What is of God and what is not!
- You must fellowship with those in the light. I am not saying not to communicate with those who are not in the light, be respectful as a child of God, remember what II Corinthians 6:14 reads. The two of you don't have the same in common. The passage explains that clearly! So, what group are you fellowshipping (hanging) with?
- You must be able to study God word. Why is that so important? God tells us why in 2 Timothy 3:16-17. God is not interested in your wisdom. Only His wisdom is divine!
- You must be prepared to face persecution. You will be reminded of your past by many and that includes church folks! But don't let that stop you from having your mind made up to do what He has called you to do. You will speak God's word, but many are not listening. Instead, they are critiquing your message. Not to encourage you of your fault(s) in speaking, but to discourage you by saying God did not call you to do this or that. Read Acts 9:21.
- You must teach and/or preach God's word boldly! A mind made up with no compromise.

Keep this in mind, satan will send out his arsenal to distract you, to make you stumble and to even make you feel discouraged. You must remain focused knowing that God has his hedge of protection around you. We as Christians are also subjected to trials and tribulations. God will always be there to encourage you! How do I know this? Read your bible. Encouragement at it best! Remember, we all have had a reputation that people focused on over the years. For some of us, the reputation is tarnished! God will bring people along side of us to do His will and to even edify us. Last, when you do God's will and I mean His will, He will bring you favor according to His will. To God be the glory! Doing God's will isn't easy. The will to choose to do so is the intelligent thing to do. Do you really have your mind made up?

SCRIPTURE READING

JOSHUA 1:6-9

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Watch your thoughts-they become words. Watch your words- they become actions. Watch your actions-they become habits. Watch your habits-they become character. Watch your character-for it becomes your destiny.

