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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

Pronounced "Soul"

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Spiritual Guidance

1 PETER 1:13-14 NKJV – (13) Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest *your* hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; (14) as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, *as* in your ignorance;

I recently went on a shopping trip to purchase dress shoes for my gray suit. I knew the exact color shoe I wanted (light gray). At the store, the attendant was eager to assist me in my search. I explained what I was looking for and gave the general price range to assist him as we looked at shoes. He worked diligently to find me every shoe except the shoe I specifically asked him to find. I even saw the perfect shoe, but his focus was on interfering with my focus! The store attendant's efforts were fixated on boxing me into his thoughts, pressuring me at every turn. But I stayed focused; I knew my purpose.

To my Christian brothers and sisters, we know the will of God. Do not allow temptations to box, pressure or bribe you into straying from what is required of you! Do not procrastinate, but be as God has called you to be. You are not ignorant of His ways. You know our Father through your relationship with Him. He has guided you from the very beginning.

The enemy wants God's people to believe it is okay to be like God one minute and behave like the enemy in the next minute. Do not be led astray through ignorance! Do not be led to live as a child of the devil.

We are governed by a different set of rules, and not by a former standard of immorality - of opinions that are no longer our guides. We are governed by the will of God.

SCRIPTURE READING

PSALM 31:3

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

You need to trust - to surrender. Ask for guidance. The answers are within you. All you need to do is ask.