

# Awaken To The Season At Hand

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It is one thing to know 'about' God, yet quite another to 'know Him'. We have come to an hour where the superiority of 'knowing Him' has replaced the desire to simply know 'about Him'. Intimacy and oneness cannot be replaced with knowledge, as the restlessness in today's church attest. While I am always interested to hear those who know much 'about Him', my real love is fellowshiping with those who 'know Him'.

Occasionally, those who know the most about God are those who know Him the least. They approach 'knowing Him' through their minds (intellectual realm) at the expense of engaging Him by their spirit. Performance (outward acts) can never replace intimacy (knowing Him personally).

Amazingly, Our Father is willing to open this door with nothing more than a simple knock from us. When our priority shifts from knowing 'about God' to 'knowing God', our spirit is now engaged rather than our intellect. It is here, the spirit realm, where our Lord wants to meet us. This is 'how' His Kingdom comes to Earth as it is in heaven. It is all very simple by its very design, but man has complicated it as a religious intellectual endeavor rather than a spiritual one.

I have sought to understand this for many years, and only now see the fullness of what it is to live in the spirit rather than the flesh (intellectual realm). I am able to understand why some in leadership know much about God, but lack intimacy and oneness with God. Intellectual impartation lacks the power and contagious nature of spiritual impartation, and in fact, limits the depth of intimacy with God.

The current season of "The Kingdom on Earth as it is in Heaven", requires we make the mighty shift from intellect to spirit. We are to train ourselves in receiving direction from God's Spirit, rather than from the arena of logic and reason. And when we make the mind subject to the spirit, rather than spiritual matters being limited to what the mind can comprehend, our real journey begins.

Make the shift, the season in which you now live requires it. Tabernacles is here (the fullness of times), but to live in this fullness we must make the shift from mental to spiritual – it is here that we will experience the greatest love ever known to mankind. It is here that we see God's favor, and realm of the miraculous as we never have.

I share this word not as conjecture or another biblical theory, but from the depths of my heart backed by a testimony provided by my wonderful Father.

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