

Being Heavenly Minded

Ruth shared this at our Kingdom Community gathering this week:

When you are feeding on the Word of God and living in His love, there is a clarity in your life that allows other people to see what's inside you—the power of God. I believe that when God's people have this kind of clarity—when we are pure, clean, and obsessed with Jesus—the Holy Spirit's power will show up with greater healings and wonders. I've recently been discovering a deliverance ministry I didn't know I had. I used to think it was a specialized field, but as I've become more focused and aware of having Jesus inside of me, deliverance just happens spontaneously. Darkness flees when you have the light of the world and the power of God living inside of you.

That's why it bothers me when someone criticizes others for being “too heavenly minded to be any earthly good”. How are you going to be any earthly use if you're not completely heavenly minded? To be heavenly minded is to be fixated on things above and things that are praiseworthy and pure and lovely. It is sad when people mock someone for being “super-spiritual”—as though they aren't being “real”. How can we not be completely absorbed in who God is and what He is doing in this world?

How can we not fully pursue His purity and His glory? We aren't of this world any more. We function in this world, but we really live in a heavenly realm. And in that realm we get our life, our energy, and our strength from being saturated in God's love. That's how we impact the world. That's what makes it possible for us to show others His love. Without abiding in and drinking of the river of His great pleasure for us, we can't love others as we should. The kingdom of God is righteousness, peace, and joy, and God wants to help us continually emanate the things of His kingdom.

Knowing that God loves me allows me to approach Him with great confidence. I know now that whether I have spent much time fellowshiping with Him or not, He is always eager to pick up right where we left off without making me feel even one little bit of condemnation. His look of delight is pure and untainted. Such love convicts me and draws me away after Him with ever-increasing adoration and amazement.”¹

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