Learning to Operate as a Son Should Function

[*Report #1*]

(Transcript of a presentation)

I've been undergoing training to operate as a son is supposed to operate. Take a look at Jesus of Nazareth: he didn't put on a show. He was very plain, simple and unassuming. Even the OT references to the messiah mentioned that he would be unassuming. He didn't have a high profile. He didn't have all the 'trappings' that go with a travelling 'show' or a person of authority, as would have been obvious in ancient times by the way he dressed. He was very much a normal person. And he drew his life from heaven through the Kingdom. He wasn't religious. He bought in the Kingdom which is a spiritual system not religious system and he showed in the way he operated that there is no place for religion in the Kingdom.

He did offend the religious leaders because he didn't follow their rules and regulations. That's because he was the first Kingdom citizen after Adam. He healed on the Sabbath. He travelled on the Sabbath. He and his disciples harvested grain in the wheat fields and ate it on the Sabbath. He didn't spend his time (according to the records in the Gospels) following all the religious festivals and ceremonies. Inteas he was always about father's business, speaking about the Kingdom, impacting people's lives and expanding the Kingdom on Earth. If you read the Gospel accounts of Jesus' life from this understanding, it gives you a different picture of him.

The records of him spending time in prayer are scant because these were special times. I he spent his time in prayer like the desert fathers did, spending all their day in prayer, it would have been recorded as such. It's only recorded in a few places that he got away from the crowds, up in a mountain, to spend time with Father. They weren't 'God-bothering' times (as I call them). They were his intimate times of communicating with Father away from the hustle ans bustle of life. You see, he normally communicated spirit-to-Spirit 24/7 but you wouldn't have known it. But there were times when he wanted to spend more time with his Father out of their relationship. You've only got to read his discourse with Father in the Garden of Gethsemane to see it was a son talking to his dad. Prayer for him was just communication: it wasn't what we call prayer. And there was no teaching from him about having to read the Bible, about having to have set prayer times. There was no teaching from him about fastings (plural) – how we fast when we fast, what type of fast, and the like. He just made cursory references to fasting. He quoted from the OT where relevant because his hearers knew its content. The rest of the time he was a normal human being.

This is what's happening to me. I've been asked in my spirit to stop doing all those little tiny things that were left in me that are religious in nature, that I was doing. The picture placed in my mind when I was explaining this to someone recently was that of Christmas tree with all the baubles and tinsel taken off it. It was a plain old pine tree – nothing special or outstanding in appearance.

So what I've been asked to do is to stop the processes I was going through on my walks each morning where I made sure I ticked the boxes by asking for things, submitting requests for things for the Kingdom for my day. I was told to stop doing these and I can tell you it's like being thrown in the deep end of the swimming pool – it's either sink or swim. It's actually quite scary because it's the little religious things that you hang onto that keep you content that you're on-track. For example, for me years ago, it used to be, "I've read my Bible this morning and I've had my prayer time as well so my day is right". Having come out of the church system, and learning to operate in the Kingdom, I now have my early morning intimate time with the Trinity. At that time I drink of the 'Living Water' so I'm refreshed for the day. We were advised to do this as an essential activity. You may not know that, but Rick Joyner was shown this in a vision he was given where Holy Spirit told him we had to drink of the Living Water every day to be refreshed, otherwise we'd find it difficult on our journey (path) to becoming the New Jerusalem (the

^{1 -} Matthew 26:39-42; Mark 14:35-38

living Jerusalem) after coming out of the church system. So, we have to do that, so I'm definitely doing it and I've found it absolutely essential.

I don't do all the additional things any more, like asking for things for my day so I can be effective as a son. I've basically got to expect them to happen. So, instead of asking to be trained and taught during the day I have to expect it to happen. Instead of asking for opportunity to prophesy today, I have to expect that opportunities will arise and that I will just prophesy. I don't have things to hang on to any more. It sort of feels like my life was before I was baptised in the Holy Spirit in the 1980s. Then I was just a normal, natural person. I was connected with heaven, but there was no mental additions to my life that said, "This is church", or, "This is Kingdom". This is how I feel at the moment, and that's why it's scary. Because, it's those things that you hang onto to keep you focussed that I've got to give up. I've giopt to rely on the Kingdom within me. I've got to learn to go into the Internal Kingdom and draw everything from there. I've got to live out of my spiritual communication with heaven and this is hard. This is why the church system puts so much emphasis on 'going to church' on Sunday and reading your Bible. They discovered that when people stopped doing that they drifted off. They stopped 'going to church' which the system doesn't like because they run out of money.

But this what we are supposed to be like. Just like Jesus – a normal, natural person, who has their Kingdom citizen as their first identity, and who lives life like everybody else. The difference being that they abound in love and good works, are relational, talk about the Kingdom when it's time to do so, and they are looking to impact people's lives with the Kingdom. When those who are seeking the Kingdom are brought into their sphere of influence. They can bring them in.

So all those 'handles' we hang onto, those religious 'handles' that keep us on track, I've got to give them all up. This is what it's supposed to be like when living as a son. It takes more effort on my part to remain focussed, because those religious trappings are now gone that kept me focussed o religion. I've now got to make it my lifestyle to live like Jesus of Nazareth.

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