## The Pleasures of Eden are Ours Right Now

"This is the day of all, not part, my child. You will see all of my love and all of my power at the disposal of those who have sought my face with all of their hearts. Eden's pleasures are found within you. Because you have chosen the narrow road, I will thrill you with my presence, until my joy overflows within you. Now is the time to discover the boundless joy of my heart."



(Having read the above prophetic message and accepting the content as reality, I recorded some inspired teaching on my phone as I received it. This article is based on that recording.)

From the time we were very young, we learnt to find pleasure in things, in places, in experiences, and in other people. We learnt to chase after pleasure as we found life was difficult, because it counteracted the pain and the consternation that was produced by life.

As we've now come into the Kingdom, and are wanting to live as sons, we have to realise that the Kingdom is nothing like the world system, and nothing like the way we operated as human beings without any experiential knowledge of the Kingdom.

The Kingdom not only provides all our needs (as we know),<sup>2</sup> but it also provides the pleasure of life. Those provisions are ours, but we can't connect with them and receive them when our attitudes are wrong, and our knowledge and understanding are incorrect.

We<sup>3</sup> learnt many years ago of the pleasure of loving God from Mike Bickle's book<sup>4</sup> and through spiritual dance and creative worship. We moved into Father's presence and experienced the joy of his love, <u>and</u> we were able to connect with the King as our Beloved. We were able to experience the pleasure of being passionately loved, but there's more to it than just that type of pleasure-getting. What is more?

The important thing for sons is to live out of our Internal Kingdom<sup>5</sup> so we can access more love and more pleasure. However, if we only have a theological understanding of the Kingdom, and/or we think the Kingdom's around us, when it's inside us, we'll not be able to connect with all the benefits of the Kingdom. The reason that failure is produced that way is because our focus is on the outside (rather than internally) which tends to make us think worldly, just as we did in the past when we had no experiential knowledge of the Kingdom. Although we may want our needs to be met by the Kingdom, if we look to other things – such as our bank account or our employment – instead of 'leaning into' the Kingdom, the Kingdom will be unable to meet all our needs.

The same goes for pleasure and joy. If we draw on people, things or experiences for our joy and our pleasure, instead of 'leaning into' the Kingdom (i.e. into Father or into our Beloved, for a more anchored way of looking at it), the Kingdom is unable to supply its joy and pleasure. Of course, to be able to receive pleasure, we must first understand that pleasure is not evil, as many Christian groups teach.

It's important also to know that pleasure is ours to receive, but not generate. In the same way that life isn't evil (as we may have been taught), neither is pleasure. We just need to have our lives functioning within the Kingdom, and our pleasure needs will come from the Kingdom. That's because there's nothing unrighteous about the Kingdom.

<sup>1 –</sup> EXTRACT: Brian Simmons (13-11-2023) "I Hear His Whisper..." Experience my boundless joy" [distributed e-newsletter] mailchi.mp/broadstreetpublishing/i-hear-his-whisperfind-fulfillment-in-me-620586 OR us10.campaign-archive.com/?u=8c3eb957a5ad87253d475a511&id=cc68f35127

<sup>2 – &</sup>quot;The Importance of All Needs Being Met by the Internal Kingdom" (24-7-2020) canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/The-Importance-of-All-Needs-Being-Met-by-the-Internal-Kingdom.pdf

<sup>3 –</sup> As a Kingdom Community in Canberra

<sup>4 –</sup> Mike Bickle (11-10-2000) "The Pleasure of Loving God" <a href="https://www.amazon.com.au/Pleasure-Loving-God-Accept-All-Encompassing-ebook/dp/B00DY0N4EW">https://www.amazon.com.au/Pleasure-Loving-God-Accept-All-Encompassing-ebook/dp/B00DY0N4EW</a>

<sup>5 - &</sup>quot;Live Out of Your Internal Kingdom" (15-5-2022) canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/Live-Out-of-Your-Internal-Kingdom.pdf

<sup>6 - &</sup>quot;Lean On or Lean Into" (26-2-2023) canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/Lean-On-or-Lean-Into.pdf

It was confirmation recently, to receive a prophetic message from our King (see above), that the pleasures of Eden are ours, and those pleasures are found in the Internal Kingdom - the Kingdom inside of us. Because the Spirit of the King is within us, so is he. He's the source of all pleasure, all joy, and all love, and so, the only thing we need to do is draw from him to receive them. To do that, we're not to look inside ourselves like a surgeon does. We are to draw from him when we come into his presence and allow his presence to fill us with love and joy, so they overflow out of us. To achieve that effectively, we have to cease looking at the negativity of life, and look at the positivity of the Kingdom.

So, it's all there for us, and it's been confirmed by our King's word: All the pleasures of Eden that Adam and Ezer<sup>7</sup> experienced are ours today. We're definitely not in an Edenic environment, but we can be anywhere and in any situation, and still be receiving the benefits of the Kingdom. That's because the Kingdom is in us, and all we need to do is draw from the Internal Kingdom at all times.

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<sup>7 - &</sup>quot;Adam & Ezer" (4-7-2017) canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/02-Adam-and-Ezer.pdf "Revealing Ezer" (12-6-2017) canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/05-Revealing-Ezer.pdf