

I Made the Switch – Bible Study Lesson

Before we start, we will make this confession:

In the name of Jesus, I boldly declare that Jesus is Lord of this Earth. The world and all of its fullness belong to God. I claim and receive everything Jesus' death and resurrection made available to me. I am living in the overflow. I have a surplus of prosperity. I have more than enough. I am blessed beyond measure. My cup is running over. I am furnished in abundance. I receive multiple streams of income. My storehouses are full and overflowing. The Lord is helping me to guard the door of my mouth. And I will not speak against His favor at work in my life. I am increasing more and more. The floodgates of heaven are opened, and THE BLESSING is pouring out. There is not room enough to contain it all. I am experiencing "THE OVERFLOW"!

Romans 1:17 (AMP)

17 For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed, both springing from faith and leading to faith [disclosed in a way that awakens more faith]. As it is written and forever remains written, "The just and upright shall live by faith."

2 Corinthians 3:18 (AMP)

18 And we all, with unveiled face, continually seeing as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are progressively being transformed into His image from [one degree of] glory to [even more] glory, which comes from the Lord, [who is] the Spirit.

Someone once said, "We cannot stop progress." That is a true statement. We can't stop it. However, we don't have to take part in it naturally or spiritually. For many of us, the reason we haven't progressed naturally is because we are not progressing spiritually. The scriptures we just read said in the Kingdom we move from faith to faith and from glory to glory. **But** there's a key in there. The scripture says, "with unveiled face." When we get a revelation of God's will and His way the blinders are removed from our lives and we choose to switch systems.

Nothing happens in that natural that has not first happened in the spiritual realm. The only difference is the factor that governs the Earth that has no bearing on Heaven. That factor is time. Most of us hate waiting for anything. However, between the seed and the harvest, there is always time. The law of eventuality says that if we continue consistently in the correct direction, we will eventually arrive at our desired destination. **GOD'S WILL FOR OUR LIVES IS GOING TO HAPPEN. BUT, MORE THAN LIKELY IT WILL HAPPEN PROGRESSIVELY.** With this in mind, let's examine: **I Made the Switch.**

Matthew 25:20-21 (NLT)

20 The servant to whom he had entrusted the five bags of silver came forward with five more and said, 'Master, you gave me five bags of silver to invest, and I have earned five more.'

21 "The master was full of praise. 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!'

There's a difference between responsibility and authority. Everyone has responsibilities. How we handle those duties will determine the degree of authority we are entrusted with. In our giving: Why would God give us big seed to sow, if we won't sow the little seed we have right now? **WHEN WE BECOME FAITHFUL, MORE IS THE RESULT.**

- 1. I made the switch from responsibility to authority.**

Isaiah 46:10 (NIV)

10 I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, 'My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.'

Zechariah 4:10 (NLT)

10 Do not despise these small beginnings, for the Lord rejoices to see the work begin, to see the plumb line in Zerubbabel's hand." (The seven lamps represent the eyes of the Lord that search all around the world.)

Vision is the ability to see the end of the finished building before the foundation is even poured. **Vision is insight and foresight based on hindsight.** Too many people never get started, because they don't see the resources. God is looking for someone who will start what He showed them in their heart, not considering what's in their hand. **GOD GIVES US MORE ON THE WAY. WE DON'T NEED FINISHING GRACE TO GET STARTED.** It's a vision right now (seed). It's coming to manifestation (harvest).

2. I made the switch from vision to manifestation.

Proverbs 11:24 (NKJV)

24 There is one who scatters, yet increases more; And there is one who withholds more than is right, But it leads to poverty.

Proverbs 11:24 (NLT)

24 Give freely and become more wealthy; be stingy and lose everything.

If we follow God's plan of prosperity and increase, we will become the conduit by which God provides resources to others. It's a blessing to be able to bless the people who used to help us. It's even better when we're able to help the people who refused to help us. **Remember, what we put out is coming back to us, in full to the overflow!!**

3. I made the switch from needy to needed.

Mark 14:3 (NLT)

3 Meanwhile, Jesus was in Bethany at the home of Simon, a man who had previously had leprosy. While he was eating, a woman came in with a beautiful alabaster jar of expensive perfume made from essence of nard. She broke open the jar and poured the perfume over his head.

Mark 14:9 (NLT)

9 I tell you the truth, wherever the Good News is preached throughout the world, this woman's deed will be remembered and discussed."

God's promise to us is this, "Them that honor Me, I will honor." The best way we can show honor to God is by honoring His Word. Jesus was the Word that became flesh. In the scripture, this "sinful" woman honored him so greatly that Jesus said, "From now on, wherever the Gospel is preached, they're going to talk about you." **GOD CAN TAKE US WHO DON'T HAVE A WELL-KNOWN NAME AND MAKE US A HOUSEHOLD NAME.**

4. I made the switch moving from obscurity to prominence.

Luke 18:28-30 (NLT)

28 Peter said, "We've left our homes to follow you."

29 "Yes," Jesus replied, "and I assure you that everyone who has given up house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the Kingdom of God,

30 will be repaid many times over in this life, and will have eternal life in the world to come."

2 Corinthians 4:17 (NLT)

17 For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever!

When we've been sowing, praying, fasting, and living holy we can be sure to reap what we've sown. God is not unfaithful to forget our labor of love. **HE WILL NEVER LET US OUTGIVE HIM!!!** We never have to worry. Our due season is coming soon. **OUR DUE SEASON IS A DIRECT RESULT OF OUR DO SEASON. WE'RE WALKING INTO A DEW SEASON. NOTHING CAN REMAIN DRY IN OUR LIVES!**

5. I made the switch from bitter to too sweet.

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GOD'S WILL FOR OUR LIVES IS GOING TO HAPPEN. BUT, MORE THAN LIKELY IT WILL HAPPEN PROGRESSIVELY. We must change from the world's system to the Kingdom of God's system. Then we can declare: **I Made the Switch.**