

Seize the Moments - Vol 1 Day 4 Struggles in the Balance of Holiness

Any significant definition of holiness is related to a balance between me and God, between humanness and divine, between human nature and the divine nature. Holiness in me is bringing the two of these into perfect balance. To expect life to go well for me (that is easy and trouble-free; financially sound and secure; without pain and suffering) just because I am a Christian has no basis in fact nor any basis in reality. Life is full of contradictions and difficulties and struggles. These struggles are a part of that perfect balance and they are intended to bring me to the point of exercising my will in the pursuit of God.

So give yourself to the pursuit of God, no matter what circumstances in which you find yourself. Realize that God actually allows and architects and even purposes the troubles in your life specifically to bring you to the point of exercising your faith, in a particular area. This is so that you can grow in areas in which you previously have not. When you see that every trial or trouble comes from God, you can seize it as an opportunity to take a shortcut to a better relationship with Him and in better relationships with those around you.

-- JB ref. Job chapters 1 & 2; Job 13:15