

Volume 5, Day 13: No Goals, Only Pursuit of God's Vision

The vision Paul had on the road to Damascus was not a passing emotion. The vision had very clearly defined directions for him. Paul said, "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision." Our Lord said, in effect, to Paul, "Your whole life is to be guided by Me and submitted to my orders. You are to have no goals, no destinations and no purposes but Mine. "I have chosen you." Now that you have chosen Me, your life is mine!

When we are born again we all have imaginations and expectations of what God wants us to be. The greatest thing is not to be disobedient to the God's actual vision for our lives. It is inappropriate to say that it cannot be attained. That would be declaring that God cannot bring us to love Him enough to be submitted entirely to Him. It is not sufficient to know that the Holy Spirit can make all that Jesus did effective in me. I must have a deeply personal and passionate relationship with Him.

Paul was not given a message or doctrines to proclaim. Neither were we. He was brought into a vivid, personal, passionate, devotion to Jesus Christ. Relationship with God is nothing if it isn't 'head over heels' affection for God. God disrupted Paul's life in order "to make him a minister and a witness." There is nothing in either of these apart from the personal relationship established with God. Paul was devoted to a Person not to a cause. He was absolutely Jesus Christ's. He saw nothing else. He lived for nothing else. "For I determined not to know anything among you, except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified."

We were made to be lovers of God. He made such a relationship with Himself possible for every person. He wants nothing less than to be our most significant other "... on earth as He is in heaven."

My Confirming Scriptures:

Aligning Experiences:

DEEPER Every Day -- John Henry Alan